REPORT

OF THE

TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

SUPREME GRAND LODGE



SONS OF ENGLAND BENEFIT SOCIETY CANADA

Held in Town of PETERBOROUGH, Ont., on

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th 1896.

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- No. 1—East Toronto, comprising lodges Warwick, Manchester, St. George, London, Cambridge, Launceston, Shrewsbury, Hammersmith, Stafford and Lichfield—P. L. Selby, P. O. Address, 456 Logan Avenue, Toronto.
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Twenty-First Annual Meeting

OF THE

SUPREME GRAND LODGE

Sons of England Benefit Society.

Peterborough, Ont., March 10th, 1896.

The Twenty-First Annual Session of the Supreme Grand Lodge, Sons of England Benefit Society was opened in the Court House, Peterborough, on Tuesday, March 10th, 1896, at 2.30 p m., Rev. Bro. H. Symonds, Deputy Grand Chaplain, officiating.

The following Supreme Grand Lodge officers were present:—Bro. Geo. Clatworthy, Supreme Grand President; Bro. J. W. London, Supreme Grand Vice-President; Bro. John W. Carter, Supreme Grand Secretary; Bro. B. Hinchcliffe, Supreme Grand Treasurer.

Bro. Dr. Hodgetts was appointed Grand Guide for this session by the Supreme Grand President.

The Supreme Grand President addressed a few words of kindly welcome to the assembled delegates, which were cordially received.

The following address of welcome from Lodge Lansdowne was read and presented by Bro. E. A. Peck:

To the Supreme Grand President, Officers and Brethren of Supreme Grand Lodge. Sons of England Benefit Society.

Brethren,—It is with very great pleasure that the members of Lansdowne Lodge welcome the delegates of their sister lodges to Peterborough on the occasion of the holding here of the Great Annual Parliament of our Order.

The occasion is one which we have long looked forward to, and we hope and believe that this meeting will tend much to advance the progress of the Order in this district.

We trust that this, the first meeting of Supreme Grand Lodge at this town, will be looked back to with pleasure by the delegates, and that the town—standing in the centre of the Province and so conveniently situated for such a meeting—may often in the future be selected as the point for the annual convention of the Order.

We are aware that the matters submitted to the Lodge will be considered calmly and judicially. May all the decisions come to at this meeting be for the good of the Order; may they serve to increase our numbers, to increase our usefulness and to bind us together the more closely in support of the principles which we uphold.

Signed on behalf of Lansdowne Lodge,

E. A. PECK, President. H. L. BEAL, Secretary.

Peterborough, March 10th, 1896.

Bro. J. M. Kendry, on behalf of the Mayor of Peterboro' (who was unavoidably absent), read and presented the following address of welcome:

To the President, Officers and Members of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England.

In the unavoidable absence of Wm. Yelland, Esquire, Mayor of the town, I have been requested by him to represent him on this occasion, on account of being his predecessor in office, and on his behalf and on behalf of the town give you a hearty welcome to Peterborough. It is with pleasure that I comply with this request. We are alw who as to the clear as very force lating of the efficients.

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We hope, also, that your visit to Peterborough will be a pleasant one, and that your work will be lightened by the pleasures that you will derive from your stay among us.

I am pleased to know that the society is prospering in Peterborough, as well as elsewhere throughout the country, and founded as it is on the great principle of benevolence, its usefulness will no doubt go on increasing so long as man requires assistance from his brother man.

We again give you a hearty welcome, with our best wishes for a harmonious, successful and pleasant meeting of your Supreme Grand Lodge.

J. E. KENDRY, Ex-Mayor of Peterborough.

The Supreme Grand President replied to these addresses in felicitous terms, and on motion appointed Bros. R. Ivens, T. Sargant and F. N. Raines, a special committee to draft a suitable and formal reply.

Bro: G. K. Martin, on behalf of the Reception Committee, drew special attention to the service in St. John's church on Wednesday morning at 9 a.m., to be conducted by Rev. Bro. H. Symonds.

Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned at 3 p.m. for one hour to permit Committee on Credentials to prepare and present their report.

Supreme Grand Lodge came to order at 4.15. Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 1 on Credentials.

DELEGATES.

Albion-B. Jones, W. G. Partridge. Trafalgar-R. Madge, E. Parnell. Middlesex-W. Hall, T. R. Skippon. British Lion-John Nutkins. Kent-F. B. Cumberland. Cambridge—W. H. Clay. Sussex-E. R. Blow, J. W. Bate-Stanley-E. J. Reynolds. man. Prince Albert-H. Harris, H. H. York—H. Aisthorpe. Wright. Brighton—C. A. Hodgetts, M.D. Plymouth—W. Sweet. Richmond-Thomas Riley, C. H. Old England—W. J. Oke. Somerset—C. Weeks, T. P. Worth. Beavis. Surrey-T. Cannon, sr., T. H. John-Preston-John Aldridge. Birmingham—F. Wootten. Dover-J. B. Brownridge, C. E. Warwick-W. George. Manchester-W. H. Lane. Gibbons. Thomas Royal City-W. T. Guy. Durham-James Leech, Garnett. St. Albans-R. S. Grundy. Wellington-F. R. Dunham, W. S. Rugby-J. C. Swait. Bragg. Mercantile—R. Ivens, R. Patching. Westminster-J. Boxall. British Oak—A. F. Wicks. Rose of Couchiching-J. L. Jen-Sheffield-Thos. Jackson. kins. Suffolk—Thos. Guest. Lansdowne—George Carpenter, E. Devonshire—N. E. Grills. A. Peck. Hearts of Oak-Samuel Hull. Royal Oak-Jesse Welland. Norwich-E. V. Smith. Southampton-W. P. Hubbert. Thames-W. A. Moore. Derby-E. Ackroyd. Wolfe-J. S. Thomas. London-L. G. Cross, S. Hine. Grimsby-John Marlow. Canterbury-H. G. Wynes. Darlington—Jos. Clatworthy. Windsor—S. B. Pollard, M.D. Alexandra—Geo. Clay, H. Furze. Buckingham—F. N. Raines. United Roses—Hy. Symons, Q.C. Victoria's Jubilee—J. P. Hartley. Hamilton-John Jackson. Salisbury—R.-W. Nicklinson. Guelph-F. Lane. Nelson-J. H. Bennett. Wolverhampton-H. Hooper. Portsmouth-W. G. Skelcher. Berkeley-A. Sidders. Worcester-E. Blundell. Gainsborough-Arthur Laxton.

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107 credentials being received and reported on. On motion the report was received and the delegates permitted to take their seats.

Moved by Bro. T. Sargant, seconded by Bro. E. Blundell "That the hours of session be from 9 to 12 a.m., and from 2 to 6 p.m. Carried.

Moved by Bro. E. Blundell, seconded by Bro. T. Sargant, "That no notice of motion be received after 10 a.m. on Thursday morning. Carried.

The Supreme Grand Secretary then presented the reports of the last Grand Lodge meeting of South Africa, with correspondence from the District Deputy, Grand President, T. N. Dyer and W. G. Thomas, Acting Grand Secretary, also of the Supreme Grand President, Supreme Grand Secretary, Supreme Grand Treasurer, and Supreme Grand Auditors. On motion the reports were received and referred to Committee of General Purposes.

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OF THE

SUPREME GRAND PRESIDENT.

To the Officers and Members of Supreme Grand Lodge, S.O.E.B.S Peterborough, March 10th, 1896.

Brethren,—It affords me much pleasure to welcome you to this the Twenty-first Session of our Supreme Grand Lodge; and to have the honor to submit my official report for your consideration.

Since our last Supreme Grand Lodge meeting the Society has been working under new conditions, owing to the changes then made in the Constitution.

I have watched with solicitude the operation of the Constitution in its amended form as the year passed, and am now pleased to be able to report gratifying results, which appear in the improved finances of many of the Subordinate Lodges and the generally better business tone pervading the Lodges.

At first some little opposition was shown to the reforms by a few, but after eight months' experience we find the members are beginning to understand the new order of things and are satisfied with the changes

The calls in the Beneficiary Department have been paid with greater regularity than heretofore, and the secretaries of Lodges now make their returns of Beneficiary monies with commendable promptness, thus enabling the work and book-keeping in the Supreme Grand Secretary's office (which has been very largely increased by the new system) to be methodically conducted.

Ten per cent. of all monies received on account of assessments has been placed to the credit of Reserve Fund in the bank, in accordance with Supreme Grand Lodge decision, and I am glad to say the scale of monthly payments, as fixed by Supreme Grand Lodge, has proved ample to meet all claims.

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The raising of class "B" to the full amount of \$1,000 insurance is much appreciated by the members holding those certificates.

I regret to say that the number joining the Beneficiary Department has not been so great during the year as was anticipated. This is perhaps owing primarily to the stringency of the times and keen competition in fraternal society insurance; but I am also of the opinion that better results would be obtained if the Subordinate Lodge secretaries were more liberally paid for their services to this Department.

It is manifestly unfair to expect them to employ effort and time in the work without some reasonable amount of remuneration, and I beg to suggest that they be paid a per centage on all collections made and forwarded by them.

Notwithstanding the fact that a smaller number have joined this Department than we could wish, I am still of opinion that the legislation passed at last Supreme Grand Lodge meeting was wise and has placed the Beneficiary Department on a solid and sure foundation, which will be of greater advantage in the future.

The reduction of the Funeral Levy from one dollar to eighty cents per capita, whilst it has helped the Lodges financially, has at the same time caused a corresponding reduction in the surplus of the Funeral Fund balance. This may be partly owing to a smaller income from registrations than in some former years. The shrinkage in the Fund has not, however, been so great as to warrant the return to the old rate of levy, at least not until the new rate has been tried a year or two longer and so given a fair test. But the greatest benefit to the Society, of all the changes made in the Subordinate Lodge Constitution, is in the limitation of time from twenty-six weeks to sixteen weeks for keeping members in good standing without the payment of their This change met with stronger opposition from some members than any other; but I desire to say, after considerable observation and enquiry, that it is a salutary and wise measure, whilst at the same time not in the least degree oppressive. I most strongly urge this Grand Body not to make any modification in this clause of the Constitution.

Sessional Papers and Amendments to Constitution.

Several amendments to the Constitution are proposed, as appear by the Sessional Papers, but it will be observed that they are, for the most part, of minor importance—chiefly corrections of clerical errors,

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transpositions, etc. The exceptions are two items. The first relating to the formation of District Lodges, and the second to the establishment of an Official Organ for the Society.

The matter of forming District Lodges I strongly disapprove, after mature thought upon the question. At anyrate, not in the shape proposed. I am unable to see any good purpose which they would subserve, while adding to our machinery and expenses. Moreover, in cities and populous districts, the idea might be put into effect; but it would be impracticable in country localities, hence its operation must of necessity become sectional, and consequently unfair to a large portion of our membership. It must not be lost sight of that District Deputies already have it within their power to call together the officers and members in their several Districts for conference and discussion of matters affecting their jurisdictions, and I caused a letter to be sent to the District Deputies inviting them to do this, which many of them have complied with, and the results have proved beneficial.

I hold the opinion that a society such as the S.O.E. should go slowly in the matter of adding to its governmental machinery, unless a very clear necessity is proven to exist for the same. It is possible to be too much governed.

As to the necessity for an Official Organ for our Society, I think all are agreed. The matter has been referred to repeatedly in reports of Supreme Grand Lodge Officers from time to time, all of which has been received and endorsed by this Grand Body; but up to the present time no official action has been taken. With the view of putting the matter before this Supreme Grand Lodge in practical form, your Executive has made calculations and obtained data in relation to the publication of an Official Organ, which I have pleasure in pacing before you.

Your Executive, shortly after the meeting of last Supreme Grand Lodge, being impressed with the great importance to our membership of a paper devoted to the interests of the Society, entered into negotiations with Brother Reynolds, proprietor of the Anglo-Saxon, with a view to furnishing the paper to all the Lodges that would subscribe for it, at the rate of ten cents per capita for its last six monthly issues.

We felt justified in taking this course, considering its importance to the Society, inasmuch as it would not involve any expense to this Supreme Grand Lodge.

It was expected that the whole membership of the Order would have seized so favorable an offer to get the paper at so very small cost; but only about one-third of the Lodges finally subscribed for it. convin publish that ou taken

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I am voicing the opinion of your Executive in stating that we are convinced of the great necessity and importance of an Official Organ, published under the supervision and control of the Executive, in order that our Society may be properly equipped for the work it has undertaken to accomplish.

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The matter will come before you in its proper time, and I trust the project will receive your sanction and hearty approval.

New Lodges Opened and Charters Surrendered.

The number of new Lodges opened during the year is fewer than in some former years. More Lodges might have been organized, however, but for the restriction in our Constitution, relating to opening no new Lodges in cities.

Your Executive has allowed no opportunity to pass of starting a new Lodge, where a reasonable prospect of success offered.

A complete list of Lodges formed during the year will be found in the Supreme Grand Secretary's Report.

I have to report the surrender of their Charters by three Lodges, viz.: Chesterfield, Avondale and Eddystone, all the members of which, in good standing, have found homes in other Lodges of the Order.

Printing and Supplies.

Your Executive called for tenders for Printing and Supplies from the members of the Society who were in the printing business, and we awarded the contract to the lowest bidder in every case. I am pleased to say that the contracts were faithfully carried out by the brethren securing the orders.

The expenditure under this head has been largely in excess of former years, owing to the changes in bookkeeping, rendered necessary by the new Constitution.

New books had to be provided for all the Subordinate Lodge Secretaries, an entirely new set of books for the Supreme Grand Secretary's office, for the Beneficiary Department business, and a full supply of new Constitutions, besides all other supplies and forms.

Official Visits.

I have officially visited sixty-four Lodges during the year, besides making many unofficial visits as the occasion offered.

In many of these visits I requested the Supreme Grand Secretary to accompany me, which he cheerfully consented to do, notwithstanding the pressing duties of his office. Much good has resulted to the Lodges visited.

I am more than ever impressed with the benefits that would result from more frequent and systematic visitation of the Lodges by the Supreme Grand Secretary or some other Supreme Grand Lodge Officer qualified to discuss our laws and rules, and who is at the same time familiar with the practical working of the Society.

We have invariably found the brethren loyal to the Institution, and endeavoring to live up to the provisions contained in the Society's Constitution, but some of the Lodges visited required instruction consequent upon the changes made at last Supreme Grand Lodge Meeting. All the brethren received us gladly, and from recent reports from them, much good was accomplished.

Bearing in mind that the Lodges in both the eastern and western parts of the country had been visited by Supreme Grand Lodge Officers at comparative recent periods, I felt that my visits should be confined chiefly to the Ontario Districts.

Wherever practicable, we grouped the Lodges into district meetings, and by these means were able to give a large number of Lodges the benefit of our visits, which otherwise we could not have reached. Where this plan could not be carried out, and my presence was necessary, I visited Lodges individually.

The districts covered by these visits were the Niagara District, Muskoka and Parry Sound, County of Durham, County of Ontario, Peterboro' and Victoria, Lampton, Elgin, Wentworth and Halton and the four Torontos. We also paid a visit to the Montreal Districts and opened, with the assistance of the Supreme Grand Secretary, P.S.G.P. Bro. Stroud, P.S.G.V.P. Bro. J. A. Edwards, and the District Deputies, a very promising new Lodge (Westmount) in a western suburb of Montreal.

Much enthusiasm and loyalty were manifested towards the Society by the brethren everywhere. This was especially marked in Montreal, where the brethren turned out in strong force, and, headed by their very efficient brass band, formed into line at our hotel and marched to their commodious Lodge room, which was crowded with members. At the close of the meeting all present felt that a very profitable evening had been spent. to time require busine been c

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Executive Meetings.

Your Executive met at the offices in Shaftesbury Hall from time to time, for the transaction of business, as the needs of the Society required. The meetings have been characterized by harmony and business-like attention to the affairs of the Order. The business has been conducted with strict regard to economy, and I think at the same time with efficiency.

The Executive Officers have been regular and punctual in their attendance, and at all times rendered me cheerful support in the management of the various branches of the Society's work. The receipts and disbursements and general statistics will be found in the Supreme Grand Secretary's Report, which I trust will be considered satisfactory to this Supreme Grand Lodge.

Fraternal Association.

In pursuance of instructions and authority given your Executive by last Supreme Grand Lodge, we affiliated with this organization, and I am pleased to say it has resulted in considerable advantage to our Society.

The Secretary of Tennyson Lodge, in Hull, P.Q., was prosecuted by Mr. Bowker (the person who goes about laying information against, and prosecuting fraternal societies that he thinks may have violated the law). Notwithstanding that our Bro. Skipworth was defended by our solicitor, or by a solicitor representing him, a conviction was secured by Bowker, and a fine of \$20.00 and costs entered against him.

The Fraternal Association, recognizing that all Benefit and Fraternal Insurance Societies were deeply interested in the principle involved in this case, offered to appeal the same at their own expense if permitted to do so. We, of course, gladly assented to their kind offer, with the result that Bowker was defeated on the appeal and the costs charged against him.

There are other advantages in the connection, though perhaps not directly of so pronounced a financial character, but nevertheless valuable to our Society; and I strongly recommend a renewal of our membership with that Body.

District Deputies.

Certificates of appointment of District Deputies were made out and forwarded to the brethren chosen to fill those important positions as soon after Supreme Grand Lodge Meeting as possible.

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Your Executive has had to make several fresh appointments during the year on account of some of them leaving their locality, or for other cause failing to act. Following is a list of those appointments:—

Bro. A. J. Andrews, Winnipeg, Man., in place of Bro. Freeman. Bro. J. Anderson, London, Co. Middlesex, in place of Bro. Harding; Bro. F. J. Passmore, Norfolk, Brant, Haldimand, Waterloo and Wellington, in place of Bro. Goulding.

The District Deputies, for the most part, have been active and zealous officers in looking after the interests of the Lodges in their several Districts, and they have rendered myself valuable assistance in carrying out the duties of my important office, for which I desire to tender them my sincere thanks.

Litigation.

Immediately after the close of last Supreme Grand Lodge, your Executive took legal action, through the Society's solicitor, to prosecute Mr. Baker, late Secretary of Yorkshire Lodge, for embezzlement of Lodge funds and forgery; and Mr. Smith, late Secretary of Britannic Lodge, for embezzlement, both of Montreal. Mr. Smith made partial restitution and obtained his liberty on condition that he undertook to pay the balance against him. Mr. Baker defended his case, and although he was committed for trial, when the case came before the grand jury it was thrown out on a technicality, which resulted in considerable expense to the Guarantee Fund.

Your Executive also found it necessary, in order to protect the interests of the Lodges involved, to institute proceedings against several other officers of Subordinate Lodges, for breach of trust; but I am pleased to say they all, with one exception, made restitution, and prosecution was thus avoided, and only a trifling expense was occasioned to the Guarantee Fund.

The papers in all these cases will be laid before this Grand Body.

Appeals and Disputes.

I am happy to say that there have been but few disputes in the Lodges during the year, calling for our interference, and these have all been adjusted without appeal to this Grand Body with one exception, which will come before you in its proper place.

Guarantee Fund.

This Fund, as will appear by the Financial Statement, has been heavily drawn upon, principally to meet the expenses incident to the

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prosecution of the cases in Montreal, and referred to at length in another place. It has became a serious question as to whether the Society should not cease the guarantee of Subordinate Lodge officers' bonds, and require the Lodges to furnish bonds by other means.

As I reported last year, much of your Executive Officers' time is occupied in looking after this business, and very unpleasant duties are imposed upon the Executive in this connection, without corresponding advantage.

Medical Examinations.

It has come to my notice that the medical examination of candidates by some of our surgeons has been, in many cases, lax, and of a very perfunctory character. Also that certificates for sick benefits are frequently granted when the sickness has been slight and not coming within the intent and meaning of our Constitution, or because the brother claiming sick pay is in needy circumstances, whilst in a few Lodges clearance members have been admitted without any medical examination at all. These practices have tended to so deplete the Lodge funds, as to reduce the Lodges affected almost to the verge of bankruptcy. It is unnecessary for me to point out the injustice—not to say dishonesty—to the Lodges of such a pernicious course. Moreover, some of the Lodge surgeons entirely ignore Clause 126 of the Constitution, thereby jeopardizing the sick benefits of members otherwise entitled thereto, and weeks after the brothers are alleged to have been sick, the doctor gives his certificate for sick pay.

I strongly urge upon this Grand Body the importance of formulating such additional rules for the governance of our Lodge surgeons as shall tend to minimize this evil.

I include but a small proportion of our surgeons in the foregoing remarks, and I would rather attribute these irregularities to carelessness than to intentional wrong-doing on their part. I am glad to be able to say, in justice to our medical brethren, that very many of them are most conscientious in the discharge of their duty.

Organizer and Supervisor.

In my report last year as S.G.V.P. I referred to the matter of an Organizer and Supervisor for our Society, and then advised the appointment of such an officer.

Supreme Grand Lodge did not then in its wisdom see fit to adopt my recommendation. After another year's experience, I am more firmly convinced than ever of the necessity for such an officer.

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as been at to the It has been said that our District Deputies can do this work. In reply to this, I have only to point to the statistics for the past two or three years and it will be seen that our membership is nearly stationary if not actually decreasing, thus proving conclusively that our District Deputies cannot do the work efficiently.

An organizer would be better posted on the Society's operations and methods, and from his larger and wider experience would handle the business as only an expert can.

The District Deputies could still render very valuable assistance and help the organizer in various ways, and so economize the organizer's time, and thus render the work all the more effectual.

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I am strongly of the opinion that something in this direction must be done promptly, or our Society will lose ground which will take years to regain.

South Africa Grand Lodge.

Your executive has had communication with the Grand Lodge in South Africa.

The Lodges in that colony are financially strong considering their membership, but they do not increase in numbers to any extent.

A feeling seems to be gaining ground there that the religious test—one of our cardinal principles—should be removed, or at least considerably modified. Your Executive feel it would be very dangerous to accede to their request in this matter, judging from our experience in this country. It may, however, be a fact that the experience of our brethren in South Africa is not analogous to our own.

The correspondence will be laid before this Supreme Grand Lodge, and I would ask your most serious attention to the matter.

Supreme Grand Secretary, Office and Staff.

No material change has been made in either the office, salary or staff of the Supreme Grand Secretary for several years past, and in my judgment the time has come when some changes should be introduced.

When Simpson's building was destroyed by fire on March 3rd, 1895, Shaftesbury Hall escaped destruction by the same element as if by a miracle. But had Shaftesbury Hall caught fire, it is safe to say that all the important documents, records, etc., of the Order would have been destroyed, many of which are invaluable, and it would be exceedingly difficult, if not impossible, to replace them.

These documents are in the same unsafe condition to-day, and some means should be at once devised, for the safe keeping against fire of our valuable property.

No prudent man would allow his books and the valuable documents of his business to be so jeopardized, neither ought this Society to permit such negligence to continue.

Then the offices themselves are inadequate and can scarcely be considered suitable or up to date for the head offices of a Society such as the S.O.E. has become.

Owing to the increased work consequent upon the change in the Beneficiary Department, occasional help has had to be called in during the past few months, and the permanent clerks are kept busy all the time.

The Supreme Grand Secretary himself is invariably at his office until ten or eleven o'clock at night. This is absolutely necessary in order that he may keep pace with the work that comes in daily. Great demands are made upon his time during the day by callers, principally brethren from distant points, to consult him upon matters affecting their several Lodges. The correspondence alone with 220 Lodges is enormous, and the book-keeping and other routine work is so constant and heavy that more consideration must be shown to him. I am pleased to state that I have received from him and his staff uniform courtesy, and every facility and assistance have been rendered me in conducting the affairs of the Society.

I respectfully recommend in this connection that better and more suitable offices be fitted up either in Shaftesbury Hall or elsewhere, with vaults and other conveniences, that additional office assistance be provided the Supreme Grand Secretary and that he be granted a substantial increase of salary.

If the reforms as outlined above be carried into effect, it might enable the Supreme Grand Secretary to visit the Lodges more extensively than has been possible hitherto, and so in a measure the work of an Organizer and Supervisor may be done by him.

Juvenile Department.

The Sessional papers contain several proposed amendments to the Juvenile Constitution, chiefly relative to the amount of contributions to be paid by the boys, and benefits they should receive from their Lodges.

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March lement e, it is of the le, and nem. I regard this Department as being yet in an experimental stage, and it will require some time before reliable data can be obtained, upon which to base wise and correct legislation; and better attention and more hearty co-operation on the part of Subordinate Lodges is necessary, in order to render the Juvenile Department successful and efficient as a nursery for our adult Lodges.

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Our Society should wake up to the fact that this Department will, in the near future, be our principal recruiting ground. If properly looked after, these boys will make the best adult members, from the fact of their early training in principles of loyalty and Protestantism. Moreover their youth will likewise be of immense advantage to the parent Institution.

I regret to say the Juvenile Lodges are not growing in numbers or membership as they should do, considering the hundreds of thousands of English boys there are in this Dominion. Brethren, bestir yourselves and bring these boys into the fold. By so doing, you will by and by reap a rich harvest.

Hospital Board.

The Report and Financial Statement from the S.O.E. Hospital Board of Toronto for 1895 is before me, and is the only report concerning this branch of our benevolent work that has reached me.

The statement is a very full and concise account of the good work accomplished.

It appears that sixty Sons of England received treatment in the Toronto General Hospital during the year, twenty-four of whom were entirely at the charge of the S.O.E. Hospital Board, whilst the remaining thirty-six either wholly or in part paid their own expenses. Nine of the sick brothers who thus received medical treatment at the Hospital were from Lodges outside of Toronto.

It requires considerable funds to properly carry out this great work, and I earnestly commend it to the consideration and support of the brethren.

Naval Brigade.

The Annual Report of the Toronto Naval Brigade has been placed in my hands. In the absence of a financial statement, I am unable to do more than refer to the work in general terms.

The report shows that at the beginning of the year 1895 their liabilities were heavy. This indebtedness has been paid off, and current expenses have at the same time been met. They are working together harmoniously, and increasing in numbers and efficiency.

Their special duty is to man and maintain the life-boat on Toronto Bay, and during the season of navigation, some members are always on duty night and day, and on the lookout to rescue persons in peril. The Toronto City Council grants them \$300 per annum for this service, but this amount is inadequate for purchasing uniforms and other necessary expenses in connection with their humane duties. I appeal to our brethren in Toronto and elsewhere for assistance on behalf of such a deserving and meritorious cause.

RULINGS.

Lodge Albert.

- Q. Are Lodges bound to provide medical attendance and medicine to members?
- A. Yes, when said member resides within five miles of the Lodge room.
- Q. Is surgeon's fee a charge to members in addition to the weekly subscription as per clause 110, page 94, of the Society's Constitution?
 - A. No.
- Q. Is the Lodge liable for surgeon's fees for the removal of cancer from a bresher?
 - A. No, not for the surgical operation.
- Q. Can relief be granted to distressed members from General Fund?
 - A. No.

Britannia Lodge.

- Q. A member of this Lodge residing in Toronto engages the services of a Toronto doctor. Is the Lodge liable?
 - A. No, the member is liable.

Enfield Lodge.

- Q. Can suspended members join as honorary members by paying \$2.00 per annum in advance?
 - A. Yes.

Torquay Lodge.

- Q. Can the Lodge dispense with the surgeon's services?
- A. No.

Derby Lodge.

- Q. Is it compulsory for Subordinate Lodges to incorporate?
- A. No, not compulsory, but desirable.

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Mistletoe Lodge.

Q. Can the Executive undertake to pay sick benefits?

A. No.

Newton Lodge.

Q. How long can a candidate hold the doctor's certificate before presenting it to the Lodge for ballot?

A. Three months.

Q. If a member wishes to do without the doctor's services, can the amount paid the doctor per quarter be deducted from the member's dues.

A. No.

Cambria Lodge.

Q. Is it legal to admit a clearance member without medical examination? If such member falls sick, is the Lodge responsible for sick benefits?

A. It is not legal to admit a clearance member without medical examination, neither is the Lodge liable for sick benefits to members so admitted. Lodges must carry out the constitutional provisions in this respect.

Lodge Shakespeare.

Q. Is it legal for a President to have leave of absence from Lodge meetings?

A. No. If he be absent more than four times his office must be declared vacant and a new election held to fill the vacant position.

Q. Is a member, when under a charge, deprived of his privileges as a member?

A. Not until the charge be proven, except in criminal cases.

Lodge Sussex.

The same question and answer as the preceding.

United White Rose Degree.

Q. Are members who do not belong to the benefit department in the W. R. Degree Lodge liable for dues for management expenses?

A. Members who subscribed to the by-laws must conform to their requirements, and would be liable.

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Nelson Lodge.

Q. Some members of the Lodge hired horses and rigs without instruction of the Lodge to drive to Arnprior. The account was paid by the Lodge. Was this legal?

A. Members have no right to incur expenses without instruction from the Lodge. The account referred to might be paid from Contingent Fund, on vote of Lodge, but it would be illegal to pay it from General Fund.

· Lodge Dover.

Q. Can the minutes of a Lodge meeting be legally garbled and altered so as to state other than what transpired at said meeting?

A. No, they cannot legally be so altered. The minutes must be a true record of the proceedings of the meeting.

Lodge Sussex.

Q. Has a member, when under a charge but financially in good standing, the right to demand that the words of his apology be inserted in minutes of a previous meeting?

A. No, unless by consent of the Lodge, but he can demand that the words of the apology be placed in the minutes of meeting then taking place.

Q. Has the defendant in an arbitration case the right to summon the plaintiff to give evidence for the defence?

A. The plaintiff must be present to prove his charge, when the defendant can cross-question him. Evidence given before an Arbitration Committee must be the truth, and not biased in favor of either party.

Lodge Beresford.

Q. Two members of the British Oak Lodge took their clearances to become charter members of Lodge Beresford, but more than two months elapsed before the Lodge was instituted. The two members fell sick within six months after the opening of Beresford Lodge. What Lodge is liable for their sick benefits?

A. Beresford Lodge is liable for half the sick pay only. The members must forego the other half.

Lodge Surrey.

Q. Should the name of a candidate who was rejected by the surgeon be placed upon the Black List and entered in the Black Book?

A. Yes.

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Albion Lodge.

Q. Should members expelled for nonpayment of dues be required to pay, in addition to the initiation fees, sixteen weeks dues or six months dues?

A. Sixteen weeks dues.

Prince George Lodge.

Q. If the President of a Lodge resigns after having filled the chair the first nine months of the term, is he entitled to the rank of Past President?

A. No.

Lodge Manitoba.

Q. Is the Lodge Secretary's receipt for monies received on account of Beneficiary Department sufficient to hold the Beneficiary Board responsible?

A. The Secretaries of Subordinate Lodges are the accredited agents of that Board.

District Deputy.

Q. Is it right or necessary that claims for sick pay should be read in open Lodge and the vote of the Lodge taken thereon before being paid?

A. Yes. And the amount recorded upon the minutes of the meeting.

Preston Lodge.

Q. A former member of Leeds Lodge, Red and White Rose Degrees, drops out of membership; after a time he joins Preston Lodge in the ordinary way. Is he obliged to again pay the W. R. initiation fee in order to enjoy the privileges of that Degree?

A. No. Rejoining the Red Rose Degree also entitles him to the W. R. password, and all fraternal privileges in that Degree (except, of course, financial benefits).

Bro. John M. Watson, Avondale Lodge.

Q. Has a member to pay dues and assessments when sick during the quarter?

A. Yes.

District Deputy.

Q. Is it constitutional for a Lodge to elect only four instead of six Committeemen as formerly?

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District Deputy.

Q. When an officer of a Lodge is re-elected for another term is it necessary that he be again installed?

A. Yes; as necessary as the re-election. An officer is only installed for the current term.

Bro. A. R. Rowland, Sussex Lodge.

Q. Is it a violation of our Constitution or Rules for a brother who takes up the ballot, when ballotting for candidates for membership, to disclose how any member may have cast his ballot?

A. Such conduct is a violation of our Constitution and Rules and is highly censurable.

Sheffield Lodge.

Q. Is a member owing sixteen to twenty weeks' dues entitled to vote at a meeting by simply paying his arrears? Or what steps has he to take to be re-instated?

A. Payment of his arrears and fines re-instates him and entitles him to vote.

Q. A motion forced on the Lodge, in spite of protest, is put by the President and carried without discussion. On account of protest President has doubts and stated them. Later he finds the motion was unconstitutional. What action should the President take on these minutes being read?

A. He should request the Lodge to rescind the motion and expunge the same from the minutes of the previous meeting, and a minute of the fact should be made in the proceedings of the meeting then taking place.

Q. A motion being put to the Lodge, say six voted in the affirmative and five in the negative and three or four not voting, were these three or four to be counted as voting with affirmative?

A. No.

Q. Can District Deputy come to any meeting of Lodge, without notice, and demand the chair, without having been invited by Lodge, or sent by Grand Lodge or usual visit for installation?

A. No.

Q. Can a District Deputy, in order to carry a personal matter, in middle of meeting announce he is there officially?

A. No. He must be officially announced before entering the Lodge room, and be received as D.D.

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District Deputy.

Q. Would it be right to install a brother into office on his strict promise to take the W.R. Degree at the first W.R. meeting following the installation?

A. If he be elected to fill an executive office, the installation should be deferred.

District Deputy.

Q. Is it within the power of a D.D. to rule, and is it right that Lodge secretaries shall fill up the forms of quarterly returns previous to calling a meeting of auditors, and that it shall be the duty of the auditors to see that the forms have been filled out in accordance with the showing on the Lodge books?

A. It is within the duty of a D.D., and it is right to so rule. The forms must always be an exact copy of the books, and be examined and signed by the auditors as to the correctness of the statements therein.

Marlborough Lodge.

Q. In case a sick brother does not have the Lodge surgeon to attend him, does he forfeit his sick benefits?

A. No. Not necessarily so.

Q. Is it necessary for the sick brother to send Lodge Secretary the Lodge Surgeon's certificate, or will any doctor's certificate do?

A. Any qualified medical practitioner's certificate may be accepted, provided your Lodge surgeon has become sufficiently informed on the case to endorse the certificate.

Q. Can sick benefits be claimed by, or paid to, a brother without the surgeon's certificate?

A. No. The Lodge surgeon must either give a certificate of sickness himself, or endorse another doctor's certificate.

District Deputy.

Q. Can a Past-President install an officer in a Subordinate Lodge without the authority of the D.D.? And does the President lay himself open for violation of the Constitution by allowing him to so install the said officer?

A. No. See Article VIII., Sec. 1, Constitution. The President cannot allow a P.P. to install an officer without proper authority. Such installation would not be constitutional.

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Q. Has a Subordinate Lodge power to take up a matter which belongs to a Juvenile Lodge, said transaction having taken place about four years ago?

A. No. If such Juvenile Lodge is under the Advisory Board of said Subordinate Lodge, then the Advisory Board should first deal with the matter referred to and then report to the Subordinate Lodge.

Q. Does a Past Supreme Grand Officer take precedence in a Subordinate Lodge to the District Deputy?

A. No.

Q. Does he retain his official position after his term of office expires, as laid down in the Constitution?

A. No. He is entitled only to the past honors of the office he may have held.

President Kent Lodge.

Q. Is a delegate qualified to sit in Supreme Grand Lodge who has not held executive office in the Lodge he is elected to represent?

A. No. Except in the case of a proxy.

Liverpool Lodge.

Q, If a man's grandmother on both sides are English, and whose grandfathers were respectively Scotch and German, is he eligible to join the S.O.E.?

A. Not according to our present Constitution.

Forest of Dean Lodge.

Q. Has the District Deputy any authority over a Subordinate Lodge in his District, other than to carry out instructions from the Supreme Grand Executive?

A. His duties and powers are clearly defined in Article VIII., Sections 1 to 6, of the Society's Constitution.

Pride of the Island.

Q. Has the District Deputy the power to delegate his authority to some other brother, and that brother come to the Lodge and exercise all the rights of a D.D. without producing any authority (except his own statement) from anyone.

A. No. In order that any brother may exercise the function of a D.D. he must be commissioned by the Supreme Grand Lodge.

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Q. Are candidates, whose mothers are English but whose fathers are not English, eligible for membership?

A. Yes.

Generally.

As per resolution of Supreme Grand Lodge, your Executive invested one hundred dollars in the Sons of England Hall Company of Winnipeg, Man., and we hold stock certificates for that amount.

In accordance with the constitutional provision and instruction of Supreme Grand Lodge, a portion of the surplus in the Funeral Fund has been placed in the bank on special deposit to the credit of the Society.

In the month of July last year, one of the Supreme Grand Lodge Auditors, Bro. T. P. Williams, resigned his position, in consequence of having to spend a large part of his time in England. Your Executive appointed Bro. Wm. Barker (a former Supreme Grand Lodge Auditor) to the vacant position.

Renewal Bonds for Supreme Grand Secretary and Supreme Grand Treasurer in the amount of \$1,000 each were obtained and placed in my hands, which I still hold.

I am pleased to note the marked improvement in the exemplification of our beautiful Ritual, both for the Red and White Rose Degrees, in some Lodges, whilst in others there is still room for much improvement in this respect.

Heretofore too little importance has been attached to this matter by the officers of the Lodges.

I strongly recommend these officers to memorize their several parts, in order that our Initiatory and Advancement ceremonies may be impressively and perfectly rendered. If it were practicable I would make proficiency in this matter a condition prior to taking office. I am sure if this were the rule, greater importance would attach to the various offices, more respect be shown to the officers, and greatly improved attendance at Lodge meetings would be the result, and success of the Lodge would assuredly follow.

The question of the re-arrangement of representation of Subordinate Lodges in Supreme Grand Lodge and the principle upon which that representation shall be based is forcing itself to the front. Whether that principle shall remain as at the present, but reducing the representation for each L dge to one delegate, or whether the voting power shall be according to membership is a question which this Supreme Grand Lodge will be called upon to decide in the near future. I hold the opinion that the latter is the more fair, commonsense and practical principle.

A business firm in the United States has gone to the trouble and expense of sending to the secretaries of our Lodges a sample badge of rather showy pattern, and I regret to say some of the Lodges, without first consulting your Executive, ordered a supply for their members' use in the Lodge. I have deprecated this action and have ruled that no badge or other regalia can be considered official for use in our Lodges without first receiving the endorsement of this Supreme Grand Lodge or your Executive. This ruling should be endorsed and emphasized by this Grand Body in order to prevent a repetition of the offence.

The official badge hitherto in use, does not appear to meet the ideas of many of the members as to what our official badge should be. Samples of new badges will therefore be placed before you for your selection.

Application was made to me by a Lodge in British Columbia, for permission to elect their officers for half-yearly terms instead of yearly, as our Constitution provides. I could not constitutionally grant their request, but it might be desirable for this Supreme Grand Body to consider the advisibility of empowering the Supreme Grand Lodge Executive to exercise their discretion in cases of the kind referred to.

In Memoriam.

Death has visited our ranks very often during the past year, and removed many earnest, true brethren from our midst.

Amongst the prominent names of the dead is that of our late Bro. Peter Millington, one of the first Supreme Grand Presidents of the Order. Those who were his contemporaries in our Supreme Grand Lodge, say he was a zealous and active officer, possessing a large share of sound common-sense and executive ability. Some years ago he removed his residence to the city of Montreal, and there resided until his death, and maintained his connection with the Society until the last. "His end was peace."

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pon ont. It is also befitting that I should mention the death on Friday, 28th February last of our late Bro. Dr. J. S. Atkinson of Gananoque, who was, up to and at the time of his death, our District Deputy for the counties of Frontenac, Leeds and Grenville. He was active, earnest and withal discreet in promoting the interests of the Society in his District, and his presence and counsel will be sadly missed by the brethren, whilst his care and skill in the treatment of the sick members who came under his care will ever remain fresh in their memory. Although cut off in the prime of life, it can be truly said "he went about doing good."

Of all our departed brethren may we not indulge the hope that they "sleep the sleep of the just," awaiting a glorious resurrection.

Conclusion.

I cannot close my Report without referring to the kindness and courtesy which has been shown to me by all the brethren with whom my duties as the Head Officer of our Society brought me into contact.

Although at times those duties were onerous, the work has been much lightened and rendered pleasant and agreeable by the consideration thus extended to me.

I have endeavored to discharge the sacred trust reposed in me by last Supreme Grand Lodge to the best of my ability, fearlessly, faithfully and impartially, and trust my humble efforts on behalf of our beloved Order will receive your approval.

I ask the brethren to assist me in the transaction of the business of this session, by exercising forbearance and manifesting a spirit of consideration and good will towards each other and towards the occupant of the chair, with the hope that the work of this session may prove productive of great good to the Society and to each member of this Supreme Grand Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. CLATWORTHY.

Supreme Grand President.

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ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

PETERBORO', MARCH 10TH, 1896.

To the Supreme Grand President, Officers and Members of the Supreme Grand Lodge, Sons of England Benefit Society.

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GENERAL CASH STATEMENT.

RECEIPTS.

To Cas	h from	Subordinate Lodges	\$ 6,989	09
		Funeral Department	9,726	86
6		Guarantee Department	267	13
Benefic	eiary D	epartment	2,4077	61
Bank I	nterest		592	54
			\$41,653	23
		EXPENDITURE.		
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By Exp	enditu	re S.S.L	\$ 7,129	16
"	66	T 1 T 1	11,235	00
"	"	Beneficiary "	21,363	08
"	"	Guarantee "	. 585	87
" Bal	ance		1,340	12
			\$41,653	23

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1. Number of Lodges Instituted during the year, fourteen though seven of these were credited on the last report. Three Lodges were closed up during the year. There are now 205 Lodges in the Dominion and five in South Africa.

LODGES OPENED DURING YEAR.

No.	Name.	Location.	Date.
217	Great Grimsby	Grimsby Ont.	March 5th, 1895
218	Burnaby	Utterson, Ont.	May 16th, 1895
219	Prince Edward	Charlottetown, P.E.I.	May 22nd, 1895
22 0	Manitoulin	Gore Bay, Ont.	Aug. 26th, 1895
221	Westmount	Westmount, Montreal	Nov. 15th, 1895
222	Holborn	Enfield, Ont.	Dec. 18th, 1895
223	Chebucto	Halifax, N.S.	Jan. 10th, 1896

- 2. Some of the lodges is the North West Territories require special attention. Efforts are being made to re-organize Sunderland Lodge at Virden in the Manitoba district, Lodge Rose of Vernon, in the Vernon Valley, B.C., seems to have suffered through the principle officers having left the locality. Bro. G. C. King, D.D. at Calgary is using his best efforts to revive Alberta Lodge, Innesfail. Royal Standard Lodge, Qu'Appelle, lost the valuable assistance of Dr. G. P. Bell, whose official duties called him to reside at Regina, the lodge in consequence is not meeting with success. There are also several Lodges in Ontario which need encouragement.
- 3. Number of members initiated, 1,209; number of members in good standing, 10,516; with several Lodge returns not received; 7,467 members were clear on the books, this shows an increase of 30) over last year; 1,611, owing less than 3 months, or 218 less than last year; 1,438, less than 16 weeks, an improvement over last year of 694, this proves beyond any dispute the wisdom of the change of the law from 26 to 16 weeks. Present membership after deducting 489 suspended over one year, and 81 deaths, 12,058 with over twenty lodges to hear from. Number of White Rose Degree members, 4,700.
- 4. The Financial Standing of our lodges show even better results under the new 16 weeks law. The amount of cash received by our subordinate lodge secretaries \$77,942.66 is \$964.60 less than last year;

the amount paid for sick benefits \$22,513.42. Though this is \$430.04 more than last report a large amount of this was paid under the old laws or 26 weeks limit; during the first six months, March and June quarters, \$13,154.12 was paid for sick benefits; during the last six months or September and December quarter under the new law only \$9,359.30 was paid for sick benefits or \$3,794.82 less than the first six months of the year. The amount paid doctor \$13,681.86 is \$354.62 less than last report; still I am pleased to report that the sum invested in bank and other securities \$49,222.04 is \$4,629.25 better than last year; the amount to the credit of the lodges including each in hand of treasurers \$52,256.75 is \$2,219.58, over and above that of last year; cash to credit of W. R. D. \$7,703.51.

AUSTRALIA.

5. I regret that owing to circumstances over which we have no control, no Lodges have been organized in this Colony. Bro. Boswell who was Commissioned to Institute Lodges has failed to notify us of any results, we are expecting information from him at an early date as to what the prospects are in that district.

SOUTH AFRICA.

6. I have pleasure in submitting the report of the last Grand Lodge Meeting of South Africa, with their Numerical and Financial Standing also correspondence from your Deputy Supreme Grand President, Bro. T. N. Dyer also Bro. W. Geo. Thomas which calls for special notice and action by this Supreme Grand Body.

STATEMENT OF AFFAIRS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES IN SOUTH AFRICA, TO OCT. 1895.

No.	Lodges.	Full Members.	Honorary Members.	Arrear Members.	Total Members.	Cash Capita	1.
22 Victor	of Africa	44	7 6	9 21	71	\$ 2108 4232	
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STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP.

I respectfully refer the accompanying statistics, showing the numerical and financial standing of the Lodges, to the consideration of the representatives to this Supreme Lodge.

No.	LODGE.	No. at last Report.	No. Initiated.	No. elear on Books.	No. less than 13 weeks in arrears.	No. from 13 to 16 weeks in arrears.	No. Suspended.	No. Deceased.	No. Honorary Members.	Present Membership.	No. W. R. D. Members.	No. struck off Books and Expelled.
1 A	lbion	388	8	228	102	16	35	5	1	381	105	16
	iddlesex	315	11	226	68	2	60	4		356	105	44
3 K	ent	387	12	159	69	14	33	3	8	275	81	10
	ssex	83	2	57		9	7		1	73		
	ussex	98	11	69	8	24	4		1	105	45	
6 Y		103	3	54		29	14	3		97		
	righton	127	4	50	4	19	11	:	1	114		
8 B	ritannia	171	3	63	27	51	15	1	4	156		
90	ld England	44		19	4	10	10		1	43 70	28 42	
	omerset	71	5	66 67	94		4 7	····i				
11 8	urrey	107 45	4 4	30	34 13			1		114 46	. 17	
12 V	ietoria	135	9	116	14		$\frac{2}{3}$	1	2	135		
		130	7	67	45		21	1	1	133		
	lanchester	141	8	67	72		7	1	1	146		
17 0	xford	145	14	122	4	17	7		1	150		
	hester	175	4	108	1	37	16	1	10	161		
19 W	Vellington	80	5	53	17				2	78	58	
20 V	Vestminster	68	3	48	1.	20	8 2	2	1	70		
21 B	edford	61	5	33	14		5			54		
	of Couchiching	107	1	69		3	9	1	4	93		
25 L	ansdowne	186	23	78				0	7	167		
26 R	Royal Oak	35	5	26		1	5		2	37		2
	t. George	91	3	43			7		4	81	50	6
28 S	outhampton	103	4	66	22	6	5		1	99	50	
29 A	corn	80		57		3	11			71		8
30 D	Derby	104		. 52						98		8
31 L	ondon	268	13	184		31				242		
	tafford	79	1	23						61		
33 L	eicester	65	7	. 46		26			3	86		
34 C	anterbury	78	13		2	17		1		77		5 2
35 V	Vindsor	109	4	65	1	22	15	1		103		
36 E	excelsior	59	6	46	4	8	3			6	1 32	2 1

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STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP-Continued.

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No.	LODGE.	No. at last Report.	No. Initiated.	No. clear on Books.	No. less than 13 weeks in arrears.	No. from 13 to 16 weeks in arrears.	No. Suspended.	No. Deceased.	No. Honorary Members.	Present Membership.	No. W. R. D. Members.	No. struck off Books and Expelled.
37	Chelsea	77	6	35		22	14			71	30	
	Lancaster	56	4	43		9	4			56	41	
	Yorkshire	75	19	51	28		9			88	33	
	Buckingham	33	5	32			3			35		
	Victoria Jubilee	210	19	176		5	19	1	2	200	84	
	Salisbury	151	6	58	60	7	12		6	137		1
	Nelson	39	4	29	10		1	1		40	28	
	Bowood	66	2	24	8	6	17		16	55		
	Portsmouth	62	9	45	1	13	6		1	65	26	
46	New Castle	24	2	23			2	1		25		
47		120	5	. 80	29	1	5	1		115	75	
48	Leeds	51		22	9	4	6			44		
49	Primrose	173	26	131		20	16	4	4	174		
	Trafalgar	48		22	11	4	5		1	43	32	
	Prince of Wales	42	6	29	7		1	1	1	37	26	
53	British Lion	106	13	56		47	5	1		109		
	Cambridge	84	7	58		22	6		1			1
	Stanley	36		15	4				1	37		
	Russell	19		8	1	2	3			18		
	Norfolk	44		20	1 5		3		. 1	36		3
	Prince Albert	84	8	38		35	6	1	2	79		
	Truro	56	8	49		8	1			61)
	Plymouth	28	1	21		. 5	3			29	17	7
	Richmond	89	4	48		26				87		
	Kensington	30		20) 8	3	4			29) 8	3
	Preston	73	10	43					1 1			
	Birmingham	58		36	19	9 1	(3	1 4	62		
	Sherwood	46				1 11			. 2		2 2	5
72	Dover	43				. 11	1	3	1	5	2	9
	Royal City	74				3 23	3	5	. 5			
74	Loyalty	43				8 7	7	7	. 1	1	3	1
76	St. Alban's	54								. 5		
77	Wilberforce	86		10 77219			1		. 5	2 7		
78	Queen Victoria	48			7 1	3		5	1	1	5	
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82 B 83 Si 84 Cr 85 Cr	Iercantile ritish Oak heffield romwell roydon	127 71 34 24 77	5 6 3 2 2	55 36 21 13 37		31 2 15	15 1 2 5 7		7	93 71 37 25 64	54 48 30 13 22	4 1 2
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117 United Roses	109	12	59 27	1 3	13	18		5	91 33	48	
118 Scarborough	36 57	5	30	11	4	18	• • • •	1	63	16	
Rose of England	32	4	14	12	3			1	31	10	
120 Grosvenor		-	17	5	10	2 2 7			34	12	
21 Cornwall	47 43	11 4	25	7	7	7		1	46	15	
122 Osborne	69	8	31	13		10	1	9	55	16	
123 Hamilton	29	2	13	3	8	4	1	4	28	9	
124 Guelph	33	7	21	3		4			36		
United Empire	25	3	19	7	1	7	1		27	3	
126 Macclesfield	51	5	47		3	1	,		51	24	
128 Wolverhampton	43	2	22		. 13	5			40	19	
129 Boston	26	-	14		2	1	1		17		
130 Royal George	37	3	20	5		5			31	12	
132 Berkeley	33	7	21	0	14				35		
133 Waterloo	11		9		1.1	2			11		
134 Cambria	36		18		2	1			28		130
135 Selby	28	3	16		7	5		1	28		
136 Clarence	22	0	8	1	1	4		1	16		
137 Gainsboro'	26	8	4	1		8			26		3
139 St. Asaph	24	0	14			20			41		
140 Liverpool	41	5	30				1	1	59		
141 Ludlow	42	3	26	1	11	1			38		3
142 Chatham	21	4	18					1	23		
143 Londesboro'	47	1	28	1		15			44		
144 Neptune	75	4							60		
145 Epping	40	2			4				37		
146 Lichfield	47	10						2	64		138
147 Royal Rose	52	7							57		9
148 Eton	46	19					1	2	68		W 1000
149 Kenilworth	35	20			12		-	4			
150 Halifax	47	19	1.	1			1	1	58		
151 Islington	46	10			5 4			2			
152 Lincoln	42	8	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		21				4:		
153 Kempenfeldt	27	3			-	1		1	27		

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100	Severn	23	3	14	4			2	1	20	2	
	Lancashire	62	"	31		9	5	1	-	. 45	21	18
	Chilliwack	20	1	13			3			16		4
191	Forest of Dean	27	12	24	9		3	1		36	16	
192	Forest of Dean	25	12	24								
193	Torquay	40	8	31			6		3	37	15	
	Hereford	44	4	19			6	1	.,	35	10	
	Derbyshire	25	4	20	3	-	3	1		26		
196	Eddystone		7	45			0		2	45		
	Algoma	49							-	24	12	
	Holly	20	4	17		2	9		3	49	8	
	Mitchell	25	23	39	0		7		1	69	34	
	Commercial	66	13	41		21 22		1	1	50	13	
	Union Jack	55	3	17	4	22	7			90	19	
	Northumberland	‡ 18	1							94		
	Coronation	27	3	18		3	3			24 80	14	
	Bridgwater	50	40	59	18	2	1		2	29	14 12	
205	Stockport	22	8	17	1	8	9				9	
	Cardigan	18	2	9		2	9		1	18 52	28	
	Marlborough	42	10	36		11	9			1	16	
208	Shaftesbury	26	3	18		4	2	:		26	10	
	Beresford	31	.6	33		2		1		35		
210	Maple Leaf	20		10			6			21		
	King Alfred	42	9	18		1	10		1	38	19	
212	Ivy	14	8	15			3		1	22	9	
213	Roseberry	15	8	19		1	1			21		
214	Rose of Harwick	21	8	14			1			22		
215	Temple Bar	17		23						30	19	
216	Marston Moor	26	. 9	22			2			24		
217	Great Grimsby		16	16						16		
218	Burnaby		21	20		1				21	13	
	Prince Edward	‡										
	Manitoulin	‡	8	8						8		
	Westmount		34	15						34	11	
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STATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP.

AMOUNTS RECEIVED AND EXPENDED FOR SICK BENEFITS AND FINANCIAL STANDING OF EACH LODGE.

No.	LODGE.	Amount of Cash Received.	Amount Paid Sick Dues.	Amount Paid Doctor.	Amount of Cash in Bank and in- vested.	Cash in Treasurer's Hands.	Total Funds of Lodge.	Amount to Cr. of W. R. D.
2 3 4 4 5 5 6 6 7 8 9 0 0 10 8 11 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Albion Middlesex Kent Essex Sussex York Brighton Britannia Old England Somerset Surrey Victoria Warwick Manchester Ourham Oxford Chester Wellington Westminster Bedford A. of Couch'ing Lansdowne Royal Oak St. George Southampton Leorn Derby London tafford Leicester anterbury Vindsor	\$ c. 2433 28 2032 06 2027 64 583 42 717 68 590 81 737 56 1295 93 358 83 461 44 665 93 419 72 850 51 767 77 851 56 1146 31 1083 62 592 83 424 80 379 87 808 10 1132 40 224 65 423 59 * 465 18 330 41 582 17 1817 68 304 73 547 53 534 90 590 91	\$ c. 1141 75 958 90 774 32 203 25 228 75 168 25 245 50 488 50 163 25 104 00 377 83 131 50 236 25 262 58 179 36 257 50 641 75 98 50 87 00 119 52 125 25 299 00 55 50 67 59 213 58 77 10 282 75 582 73 73 50 286 00 189 87 232 64	\$ e. 473 63 430 86 364 13 59 50 110 86 134 64 154 00 142 75 35 75 88 97 157 77 41 50 187 12 167 02 186 75 134 75 150 50 70 50 64 88 68 88 119 87 241 14 35 62 78 77 83 72 60 00 101 15 330 90 76 13 69 25 106 89 132 74	\$ e. 3200 00 5375 95 2653 11 938 02 1330 40 260 13 736 84 1538 38 351 76 678 37 1088 25 196 93 959 12 827 57 1711 83 851 19 269 54 502 18 71 45 110 45 568 13 31 01 85 76 167 00 1050 00 1763 33 200 00 30 64 307 23	\$ c. 355 29 333 97 17 75 61 26 91 01	\$ c. 3271 09 5458 48 2670 86 977 43 1317 89 123 65 773 33 1468 98 330 48 729 58 1049 43 247 38 1099 20 874 97 1616 54 948 31 319 04 603 32 159 10 71 40 568 13 7 06 143 37 245 98 1153 84 11 08 5 76 1847 61 182 86 17 80 395 91	\$ c. 46 48 295 82 117 19 41 39 20 65 72 37 208 97 89 06 81 08 36 27 32 40 71 26 64 60 3 54 142 78 193 99 25 00 120 52 97 60 25 26 159 82 58 09
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53 Britis 54 Camb 55 Stanle 56 Russe 57 Norfo 61 Prince

62 Truro 63 Plymo 65 Richn 66 Kensi 67 Prest 69 Birmi

7) Sherv 72 Dover 73 Royal 74 Loyal 76 St. Al

77 Wilbe 78 Queen 80 Rugb 81 Merc

82 Britis 83 Sheffi

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		\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ e.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ c.	\$ e.
39	Yorkshire	556 55	147 50	76 50	174 82	20 85	195 67	88 33
	Buckingham	230 23	21 0	34 00	59 04	98 50	157 54	30 00
41	Vic. Jubilee	1912-60	452 10	170 00	1522 57	60 55	1583 12	167 85
42	Salisbury	795 55	478 50	121 75	967 90	41 84	1009 74	00.00
4.3	Nelson	* 216 50	44 50		207 59	94 42	302 01	89 36
44	Bowood	* 155 98		31 05	10.00	157 71	112 09	00 01
	Portsmouth	420 30	134 45	85 13	18 00	53 47	71 47	88 21 37 08
	Newcastle	203 60	74 00	22 50	181 64	164 10	$181 64 \\ 633 67$	88 31
	Worcester	659 26	172 50	133 77	469 48	164 19 26 64	276 83	99 22
-	Leeds	290 61	75 80	67 50	$250 19 \\ 35 41$	52 76	88 17	121 52
	Primrose	1051 18	460 85 69 00	134 25 41 88	154 67	02 10	154 67	42 67
	Trafalgar	283 54 217 15	90 50	43 81	46 13		46 13	68 40
	Prince of Wales	$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	257 42	135 31	430 95	77 62	508 57	00 10
	British Lion	336 95	59 50	91 00		35 90	35 90	43 40
	Cambridge	205 15	65 50	33 75	90 30	34 03	78 43	
	Stanley	85 19	00 00	18 00	100 00	22 92	122 92	
	Norfolk	224 77	16 00	21 37	130 17		99 00	29 10
	Prince Albert.	557 78	135 96	118 86	375 00	60 26	378 14	4 50
	Truro	415 32	97.50	. 54 75	128 69	6 13	134 82	
	Plymouth	234 07	58 25	66 25	245 46		245 46	18 99
	Richmond	609 06	191 50	83 25	313 58	57 72	308 85	37 12
	Kensington	258 25	43 50	26 70		25 59	162 18	
67	Preston	405 40	88 00	84 75		35 41	130 45	62.52
60	Birmingham	420 79	124 50	61 13			74 56	81 22
7.	Sherwood	257 65	34 00	52 50		57 64	107 34	43 71
	Dover	313 82	42 50	63 00		72 51	272 08	18 68
	Royal City	308 08	77 00	84 74	116 07	8 76	95 08	43 70
	Loyalty	335 30	18 00	97 00			141 38	
	St. Alban's	353 38	258 06	71 97		5 00	5 00	33 55
	Wilberforce	629 28	73 50	187 50		140 98	375 03	224 7
	Queen Victoria		109 25		35 00	61 80	96 80	115 5
	Rugby	471 83	266 25					18 89
	Mercantile	605 43	150 50		215 19		160 04	122 2
	British Oak	779 26	129 60			32 99		13 10
	Sheffield	250 93	76 75			16 57	106 92	30 4

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85	Cromwell Croydon Mistletoe	\$ e. 130 29 449 31	\$ c. 24 00 207 00	\$ c. 25 31 75 00	\$ c.	\$ c. 62 00 64 92		\$ e. 19 50
87 88	Suffolk Piccadilly Exeter	909 67 252 54 206 25	194 00 70 58	86 10 31 56	649 38 22 26	66 37 60 85	665 75 83 11	77 98
90 91	Bristol Bradford	422 50 $272 74$	$ \begin{array}{r} 51 & 00 \\ 179 & 50 \\ 38 & 50 \end{array} $	42 88 83 75 66 75	168 51	57 36 36 11 29 44	30 36 36 11 197 95	58 50 6 10 99 14
93 3	Devonshire Northampton Hearts of Oak	221 52 144 66 789 27	$ \begin{array}{c} 8 & 00 \\ 31 & 70 \\ 386 & 15 \end{array} $	$\begin{array}{c} 67 & 00 \\ 17 & 67 \\ 105 & 25 \end{array}$	50 00 149 78 756 71	$ \begin{array}{r} 25 & 54 \\ 8 & 75 \\ 100 & 25 \end{array} $	75 54 158 53 856 96	
97 (Denbigh Chesterfield Westward Ho!	495 48 † 86 28 612 58	$\begin{array}{c} 154 \ 50 \\ 21 \ 00 \\ 110 \ 55 \end{array}$	$ \begin{array}{ccc} 62 & 00 \\ 7 & 75 \\ 138 & 75 \end{array} $	131 05 150 82	19 81	150 86 47 22	80 40
100 I 101 I	Winchester Norwich Thames	$\begin{array}{c} 223 & 86 \\ 497 & 09 \\ 1128 & 35 \end{array}$	23 00 154 75 364 50	67 50 69 60 204 40	189 12 239 36 524 51	80 22 3 77 72 41	236 84 243 13 596 93	6 85- 50 35 120 25-
103 (104 I	Devon	142 61 267 97 396 55	57 00 160 56 201 25	12 00 34 25 83 24		29 34	29 34	9 82
106 (107 X	Wolfe Frimsby Yarmouth	$ \begin{array}{r} 321 & 62 \\ 206 & 95 \\ 222 & 07 \end{array} $	180 25 30 50 30 00	52 25 45 94 28 83	130 44 254 80	19 72 34 81 128 17	150 16 259 80 107 82	21 10 40 58
109 E	Corbay	102 51 397 24 375 78	28 25 84 40 86 20	18 50 85 25 70 00	245 45 114 00	29 90 25 55 49 48	$\begin{array}{ccc} 29 & 90 \\ 270 & 95 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 43 \\ 64 & 25 \end{array}$
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122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131 132 133 144 144 144 144 144 144 144 144 144	Cornwall Osborne Hamilton Guelph United Empire Macclesfield Magna Charta. Wolverhampt'n Boston Royal George Pride of Island Berkeley Waterloo Cambria Selby Glarence Gainsboro' St. Asaph Liverpool Ludlow Chatham Liverpool Lichfield Royal Rose Eton 9 Kenilworth 0 Halifax 1 Islington Lincoln 3 Kempenfeldt	\$ c. 252 05 329 94 391 69 194 11 232 01 167 45 \$\frac{1}{2}\$ 312 41 313 23 127 08 348 25 225 05 57 98 182 58 168 25 112 22 140 54 * 87 07 328 59 256 81 149 45 260 50 405 51 247 52 239 92 414 80 348 09 322 58 377 33 243 26 240 10	\$ c. 41 55 18 50 28 50 37 50 95 00 37 96 49 15 70 25 38 25 27 40 77 80 43 50 67 07 42 00 56 25 28 00 51 07 50 16 7 50 189 62 120 00 105 00 93 31 67 77 108 00 112 00 29 71 92 88 69 50	\$ e. 34 75 35 75 43 00 30 50 33 00 38 25 54 38 26 63 76 50 56 33 51 25 27 35 27 35 28 86 3 00 68 65 64 36 46 75 86 26 50 65 83 56 53 24 40 5	\$ e. 202 67 224 21 108 07 345 50 55 50 41 34 64 00 120 02 177 95 51 16 75 00 40 60 123 26 123 26 123 26 186 39 100 00 2 99 89 123 88 70 00	\$ c	77 70 24 44 131 83 35 44 410 94 127 64 124 10 153 47 7 69 97 7 69 97 1 68 13 1 123 88 7 110 32 1 8 43	20 25 21 60 97 13 39 98 15 15 42 05 13 90 66 43
15 15	4 Launceston 5 Runnymede 6 Burlington 7 Black Prince	212 32 233 13	52 00 70 07	52 0 78 8	148 71 0 47 31 7	96 13 38 2 1 1 o return	4 74 4 2 1 1	25 2

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$\frac{159}{160}$	Shrewsbury Enfield Rose of Stanley	231 56	\$ e. 65 13 63 50	\$ c. 50 99 10 75	\$ c. 104 06 260 05	\$ c. 22 11 21 64	\$ e. 126 17 281 69	\$ e. 23 40 19 45
162 163 164	Coventry Prince George Clifton Shakespeare	$\begin{array}{c cccc} & 108 & 04 \\ & 220 & 98 \\ & 349 & 05 \end{array}$	12 00 92 00 61 30	66 00 16 75 40 00 37 50	101 13 84 50 102 17	48 66 4 61 1 09	149 79 89 11 79 26	16 95
165 166 167	Tennyson Newton Cumberland Sudbury	276 86 419 50	37 50 91 26 19 15	37 50 54 00 76 08 3 75	150 00 20 00 345 01	54 45 5 57 	168 75 25 57 345 01 05	30 16 16 10 9 60
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201 Union 202 North 203 Coron 204 Bridg 205 Stock · 206 Cardi

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195 196 197 198 199 200 201 202 203 204 205 207 208 209 210 211 212 213 214 215 218 222 221 222	Hereford Derbyshire Eddystone Algoma Holly Mitchell Commercial Union Jack Northumberl'd Coronation Bridgwater Stockport Cardigan Marlborough Shaftesbury Beresford Maple Leaf King Alfred Livy R. of Harwick Temple Bar Marston Moor Great Grimsby Burnaby Prince Edward Manitoulin Westmount Holborn Chebucto U. White Rose Winnipeg	\$ c. 162 17 264 55 † 19 46 310 10 133 19 231 11 407 34 264 27 † 176 05 485 89 173 29 111 98 376 20 161 78 232 65 * 70 29 253 69 141 89 150 61 121 57 228 44 145 10 * 48 00 112 74 † 129 16 54 49 †	\$ c. 25 71 55 50 5 00 51 00 7 50 9 00 85 00 71 50 12 75 17 50 12 75 9 00 46 00 3 00 9 00 9 00	\$ e. 26 62 33 62 12 50 87 55 50 00 43 46 85 88 65 25 40 87 104 19 52 62 14 75 90 00 25 00 42 00 42 00 17 97 22 25 9 75 16 19		\$ c. 43 08 25 56 22 48 54 58 59 97 18 30 22 77 64 38 29 05 14 03 17 45 82 99 59 08 2 00 15 33 96 79 18 75 23 29 35 80 37 91 9 24	\$ e. 43 08 175 56 22 48 138 94 54 58 143 89 62 13 172 50 65 57 236 41 18 30 22 77 139 38 39 70 14 03 17 45 77 49 39 08 27 00 50 64 96 79 23 29 35 80 37 91 9 24	\$ c. 12 00 6 90 6 90 11 15 4 00 63 72 15 35 6 00 8 00 12 91 22 00 52 95
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FUNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT.

1. Amount received from registration fees from 1,107 members, \$553.50; from assessments, \$8,947.18; total, \$9,500.68. Funeral claims for members, \$7,450.00; for wives, \$3,200.00; for children, \$540.00; total, \$11,190.00, or \$1,689.32 more than receipts. The revenue to this department shows a decrease of \$2,429.01, on the last report, this is owing chiefly to the reduction of the annual levy of one dollar to eighty cents, while the expenditure for the year, \$11,190.00 is \$1,154.50 more than last year. Notwithstanding the reduction in the revenue caused as above, and the increase in the expenditure, I am pleased to report that the funds are in a healthy condition, after meeting all obligations there is a balance to the credit of the Funeral Department of \$13,426.96, or \$989.81 less than last year, which must be considered as satisfactory, taking all things into consideration.

CLAIMS DISALLOWED.

2. Two claims were made which the Executive had to disallow, one very distressing case from Osborn Lodge, Bro. Chas. Pell, a young and worthy member, was killed within a few days of being entitled to Funeral Benefits, the other case, Bro. Jos. Gibbons, of Lodge Hearts of Oak, died in England while in arrears.

DELAY IN PAYING CLAIMS.

3. The payment of several claims were delayed through Lodges not having sent in their returns. It must be understood that if Lodges do not comply with the Constitution, and have their quarterly returns in within the specified time that they have no claim on the Funeral Fund.

SURPLUS FUND.

4. In view of the fact that the revenue was not likely to be the same as last year, and the expenditure to be in excess, the Executive thought it unadvisable to lock up too much of the Funeral Funds, but with a desire to meet the wishes of the Supreme Grand Lodge and comply with the spirit of the resolution passed (re Investment of Surplus Funds), have invested \$5,000.00 as a special deposit in the names of the Supreme Grand Lodge Trustees, at 3 1-2 per cent. The balance standing to the credit of the Funeral Department in the bank for current, account is \$8,426.96.

I have pleasure in submitting the following tables in tabulated form showing payments made and received by each Lodge. The total Funeral claims paid since the Department came under control of Supreme Grand Lodge is \$71,392.00.

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To.	LODGE.	No. Regis- tered.	Reg Fees.			Assessments		Total Cash from each Lodge.		Members.	Members.		Wives.		Children.		Total Fayments	-
	Albion Middlesex Kent Essex Sussex Syork Brighton Britannia Old England Somerset Surrey Victoria Warwick Manchester Durham Oxford Chester Wellington Westminster Bedford Rose of Couchichin Lansdowne Royal Oak The Chester Surrey	11 12 2 11 3 4 4 3 3 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	\$ 45 66 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15 15	00 50 00 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 5	00 2 2 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	255 208 57 76 74 85 123 30 55 82 36 105 94 119 131 60 50 43 74 138 26 57	00 95 20 50 45 05 55 55 55 55 75 90 25 10 40 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80	260 214 58 82 75 87 124 30 57 84 38 110 98 118 126 133 62 51 46 75 149 0 58 88 10 88 10 88 118 126 138 148 148 158 168 168 168 168 168 168 168 168 168 16	50 95 20 00 95 05 80 06 55 55 15 66 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96 96	30 30 30 20 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30 30	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	000000000000000000000000000000000000000	50 50 100 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50	00 00 00 00 00	15 00 15 00 15 0 15 0 15 0 15 0	100 160 160 160 160 160 160 160 160 160	0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0	000000000000000000000000000000000000000
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		1	F	RECI	EIP'	rs.	l a		P	AYM	EN	TS.	ts.
No.	LODGE,	No. Regis- tered.	4	Keg. Fees.		Assessments	Total Cash fr	each Lodge.	Members.	Wives.		Children.	Total Payments.
30	Yorkshire	10											
	Buckingham	19	2		62	2 55		05					
41	Vic. Jubilee	19	9		28		31						
49	Salisbury	6	55		157		167		100 00	125			225 0
43	Nelson	4	2		103		106		100 00		00	22 50	72 5
44	Bowood	2	1				34	-	100 00				100 0
45	Portsmouth	9	4		45	40	32						
46	Newcastle	2	1				49	-	100.00				
47	Worcester	5	2	00	19		20	1000	100 00	:::			100 0
48	Leeds	0	4	30	93 35		95		100 00	50	00		150 0
49	Primrose	26	19	00	126		35	45	400 00	:::			
51	Frafalgar		10	00	37		139	50	400 00	50	00	15 00	465 0
52 1	Prince of Wales.	6	3	00	28		37 31	90	100 00				
53 1	British Lion	13		50	113		119	05	100 00		-		100 0
54 (Cambridge	7		50	67	25	70	95 75	100 00	50	00		150 00
55 8	Stanley		.,	0.0	34	95							
56 I	Russell				15	30	15	95 30			- 1	15 00	15 00
	Norfolk				31	50	31	50			-	15 00	15 00
61 I	Prince Albert	8	4	00	68	45	72	45	100 00		-		
62	Truro	8		00	47	85	51	85	100 00				100 00
63 I	lymouth	1		50	23	20	23	70			-		
1 60	tichmond	4	2	00	63	85	65	85			00	15 00	
66 F	Kensington	3	ĩ	50	22	30	23	80		50		15 00	65 00
67 I	reston	10	5	00	50	60	55	60	100 00	50	00		50 00
69 1	Birmingham	3	1	50	45	85	47	35	100 00		00		100 00
70 8	herwood	5	2	50	32	10	34	60	100 00	50	00		150 00
72 I	over	13	_	50	38	45	44	95	100 00				
73 L	Coyal City	1		50	45	25	45	75				15 00	100 00
74 1	oyalty	16	8	00	43	65		65				15 00	15 00
76 8	t. Albans	3	1	50	40	25	41	75					
77 V	Vilberforce	4	2	00	43	50		50			-		
78 6	ueen Victoria	6	3	00	39	85		85					
80 H	lugby	6	3	00	52	65		65	100 00			15 00	117 00
81 N	lercantile	5	2	50	69	35		85				15 00	115 00
82 B	ritish Oak	6	3	00	59	60		60		100	-	45 00	145 00
83 S	heffield	3	1	50	28	30		80				45 00	145 00
84 (romwell	2	_	00	17	40		40		50	W		50 00

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85 Crc
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FUNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT—CONTINUED.

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No.	LODGE.	No. Regis- tered.	Reg. Fees.	0	Assessments		Total Cash from	each Lodge.	0	Members.	Wives.	Children.	Total Payments.
95	Croydon	2	\$ 1	00	\$ 55	20	\$ 5	6	20	\$	\$100 00	\$45 00	\$145 00
	Mistletoe		-		13	30	1		30		50 00		50 00
	Suffolk	14	7	00	71	90	7	8	90	100 00	75 00		175 00
	Piccadilly	1		50	31	60	3	2	10		50 00		50 00)
	Exeter	6	3	00	25	65	2	8	65				
	Bristol	6	3	00	48	90	5	1	90				
	Bradford				.35	80			80				
	Devonshire	6	3	00	26	15	2		15				
	Northampton				12	65	1	2	65				-:-:-
94	Hearts of Oak	5	2	50	89	45	9	1	95		50 00		50 00
	Denbigh	3	1	50	53	40			90	100 00			100 00
*97	Chesterfield	3	1	-	15	50			00				
	Westward Ho!	6	3	00	76			_	50	200 00			200 00
99	Winchester	1		50	32				35				100.00
100	Norwich	21	10	50	49	10	_	-	60	100 00			100 00
101	Thames	10	5	00	119		12		45				
1102	Devon			50	14		_		55			15 00	
103	Gloucester	3			30		1 7		05	100 00	50 00		150 00
104	Hull	4			52				00			1	
	Wolfe		2	50			1 -	38	20	100 00		15 00	115 00
106	Grimsby		1		31		1		10				
107	Yarmouth			50			1000		25				
	Torbay	1		50			000	16	10				
109	Brampton			00			1000	52	00				200 20
	Darlington			2 00	1 22 3			13	05				200 00
†111	Guildford	. 4	1 2	2 00	51	48	1	53	48	200 00	75 0		275 00
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	4 Albert			2 50	100000000000000000000000000000000000000	60			10		1 ::-:	١	
	5 Rose of Columbia.			1 00				77	30		50 0		50 00
	6 Alexandra			1 50					90			1::0	15.00
	7 United Roses			6 00		107730		75				15 00	
	8 Scarboro'			1 00	200				60				
	9 Rose of England.		3 1	2 50			100	38					
	O Grosvenor		-	2 00				27				1	
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			R	ECI	EIPT	S.	omo		PA	YM	ENT	rs.	its.
No.	LODGE.	No. Registered.	Rog Foos	1.8.1	Assessments	200000000000000000000000000000000000000	Total Cash from	each Lodge.	Members.		Wives.	Children.	Total Payments.
124 125 126 128 129 †130 131 132 †133 †134 135 136 137 †139 †140 141 142 143 †144 145 146 147 148 149 †150 151 152 153 154 155 156 157	Hamilton Guelph United Empire Macclesfield Wolverhampton Boston Royal George Pride of the Island. Berkeley Waterloo Cambria Selby Clarence Gainsboro' St. Asaph Liverpool Ludlow Chatham Londesboro' Neptune Epping Lichfield Royal Rose Eton Kenilworth Halifax Islington Lincoln Kempenfeldt Launceston Runnymede Burlington Black Prince Shrewsbury	8 2 2 7 7 3 3 5 5 2 2 3 7 7 3 4 4 1 1 4 4 2 2 100 7 7 199 200 199 100 8 8 3 3 1 1 3 3 4 6 6 4 4	1 3 1 1 2 1 1 3 3	50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50	19 22 21 40 32 11 21 29 7 18 24	70	20 26 22 43 33 11 23 37 18 25 13 21 31 23 39 54 45 51 36 51 36 51 51 51 51 51 51 51 51 51 51 51 51 51	70 35 55 15 15 90 30 15 15 00 65 60 10 05 70	\$ 50 00 100 00 100 00 100 00 100 00 100 00 100 00	55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55 55	0 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0	15 00 15 00 15 00	\$ 80 00 100 00 150 00 50 00 50 00 15 00 15 00 15 00 15 00 15 00 15 00 100 00 15 00 100 00
\$160	Enfield Rose of Stanley Coventry	1		50	27	70	-	20	::::	:	0 00	7 50	57 50

+Three quarters only.

No returns.

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†162 Pr 163 Cli 164 Sh 165 Te 166 No 167 Cu 168 Su 169 V: *170 A 171 Be †172 M †173 V: †174 Br

†175 A

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184 L 185 D 186 M \$187 S \$188 R 189 S 190 L 191 C 192 F ‡193 T 194 H 195 D ‡196 E ‡197 A

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FUNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT—CONTINUED.

Table shewing Payments of Assessments, Registration Fees, and Funeral Claims.

			RECE	IPTS.	om .	PA	YMENT	s.	nts.
No.	LODGE.	No. Registerred.	Reg. Fees.	Assessments	Total Cash from each Lodge.	Members.	Wives.	Children.	Total Payments
169	Prince George		\$	\$ 11 75	\$ 11 75	\$	\$	\$	\$
	Clifton	3	1 50	30 55	32 05				
	Shakespeare	5	2 50	39 10					
	Tennyson	1	50				50 00	15 00	65 00
	Newton	8	4 00				50 00		50 00
167	Cumberland	3	1 50					15 00	15 00
168	Sudbury			20 90					
169	Vancouver		50						100.00
170	Avondale	1	50						100 00
	Beaconsfield		3 50				50 00		50 00
172	Milton	3	1 50						
173	Victory	4	2 00						
	Brandon		2 00						
	Anglo-Saxon	1 0		13 1				****	
	Imperial		1 00			-			
	Empress of West		6 50				100 00		100 0
	Cheltenham	_	3 50						100 0
	Fidelity				0 10 0				
101	Alberta			7 4	0 74	0			
	2 Monarch		5 00					15 00	
	Hammersmith		5 50						
	Lydford		1						100 0
	Duke of Cornwall.								150 0
	6 Manitoba		20	29 6					100 0
77.	Sunderland				1				
	Rose of Vernon				1				1
	Severn				5 18 0				150 A
190	Lancashire			. 34 1					100 0
191	Chilliwack	. 1		0 13 8	0 14 3	0			
	Forest of Dean		6 0	0 29 9					50 0
193	Torquay				50 5 5	0			
194	4 Hereford	. 8	4 0		5 24 4				
198	Derbyshire	. 4	2 0		0 28 1		50 00	0	150 0
196	Eddystone			-					
197	Algoma		3 5	0 19 2	20 22 7	0			

Three quarters only. Two quarters only. *Charter returned. No returns.

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Total Payments.

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FUNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT—CONTINUED.

Table shewing Payments of Assessments, Registration Fees, and Funeral Claims.

			RI	EC1	EIPT	s.	om		P	AYMEN	NTS.	i.
No	. LODGE,	No. Regis- tered.	Reg. Fees.		Aggregation	Assessments	Total Cash from	each Lodge.	Members.	Wives.	Children.	Total Payments.
	Holly	4	2	00	18	00	20	00				
199	Mitchell	23	11	50	33	00	44	50				
200	Commercial	13	6	50	49	10	55	60	100 00			100 00
201	Union Jack	3	1	50	39	75		25		50 0	00	50 00
202	Northumberland .	. 1		50	10	05	10	55				00 00
†203	Coronation	3		50	20	10	21	60				
204	Bridgewater	40	20	00	63	20		20		25 0	00	25 00
205	Stockport	8	4	00	19	00	23	00				20 00
206	Cardigan	2	1	00	15	65	16	65				
207	Marlboro'	10	5	00	38	30	43	30				****
208	Shaftesbury	3	1	50	22	55		05				
209	Beresford	6	3	00	34	35	37	35	100 00			100 00
†210	Maple Leaf				11	35		35	200 00			100 00
211	King Alfred	9	4	50	29	65	34	15				
212	Ivy	8		00	15	85	19	85				
213	Rosebery	2	1	00	15	20	16	20				
214	Rose of Harwich	8		00	15	80	19	80				
215	Temple Bar				23	35	23	35				
†216	Marston Moor	9	4	50	14	00	18	50				
-1		1107	553	50	8947	18	9500	68	7450 00	3200 0	0 540 00	11,190 00

† Three quarters only.

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FUNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT.

Statement of Receipts from Subordinate Lodges and Disbursements in each year in the Funeral Benefit Department since under control of Supreme Lodge.

	RECH	EIPTS.		D	ISBURS	EMENTS	•
Date.	Reg. Fees.	Assessments	Total.	Members.	Wives.	Children.	Total.
1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1892 1893 1894 1895	\$ c. 330 00 533 50 832 50 890 15 866 25 838 25 810 00 755 25 571 50	1569 50 2820 85 5395 49 7297 29 8277 15 9318 45 10147 45 11181 44	\$ c. 1899 50 3354 35 6227 99 8187 44 9143 40 10156 70 10969 45 11936 69 9518 68	1200 00 2100 00 3362 50 4650 00 5500 00 6100 00 5800 00 6700 00 7450 00	390 00 780 00 765 00 1140 00 1620 00 1575 00 2315 00 2850 00	91 00 143 50 91 00 182 00 164 50 234 50 262 50 485 50	1681 00 3023 50 4218 50 5972 00 7284 50 7909 50 8377 50 10035 50
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Total Payments.

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UNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT

, DECEMBER 31sT, 1895.	EXPENDITURE,	By Members' Claims	\$24,447 75 CEMBER 31sr. 1895.	ASSETS.	By amount due by S. G. L \$ 377 39 "Cash in Bank and in Hand 13,049 57 EET DECEMBER 31sr, 1895.	ASSETS. By Cash to credit of Fund	GEO. CLAY, WILLIAM BARKER & S. G. L. Auditors.
FINANCIAL STATEMENT, DECEMBER 31sT, 1895.	RECEIPTS.	To Balance to credit of Fund, Dec. 31st, 1894. \$14,416 77 "Cash received from Registration	\$24,447 75 BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 318T. 1895.	LIABILITIES.	Nil	LIABIL/TIES. Nil	Examined and found correct, Jan. 25th, 1896.

GUARANTEE DEPARTMENT.

- 1. I am pleased to report that during the past year only one claim has been made on this department, resulting however in no loss to the funds beyond the Solicitors fees, viz. \$18.00. The amount claimed by Trafalgar Lodge through the action of its Treasurer, was settled, the sum being paid into Court, the result of prompt action on the part of your Executive.
- 2. I have pleasure in reporting that the claims in connection with Lodges Somerset and Shrewsbury have been settled, the amounts in both cases having been paid, the only loss to the funds being solicitors fees \$23.00.
- 3. In the matter of Lodge Chatham I have to report that after making full enquiries I find that the father of the defaulting Secretary was not a party to the transaction, and at the time of the Secretary's disappearance, had no knowledge of his shortages or whereabouts, I therefore take this opportunity of withdrawing the statement made in my last report, and thereby exonerate the father from any complicity with the son's defalcations. The amount of the shortages \$28.27, has been paid over to the Lodge, the defaulting Secretary is still held responsible for the amount.
- 4. In the matter of Lansdowne Lodge, the late Secretary promises to settle the balance against him as soon as possible.
- 5. In the matter of Denbigh Lodge, your Executive decided to take no further action on account of the difficulty in getting the officers to make out the proper information.
- 6. Britannic Lodge, carrying out the instructions of Supreme Grand Lodge, your Executive instructed the Solicitor to take steps to recover the amount, a writ was issued, the Secretary was placed under arrest, and after investigation an arrangement was made to repay the amount in addition with the law expenses; \$60 was collected, the balance will have to go to profit and loss as the member left the country. The amount due to Lodge still remains to be settled. The total cost in this case will be lawyers fees in Montreal, \$110.00; Supreme Solicitor's fees, \$30.00; amount due the Lodge, \$45.30; amount collected, \$60.00; loss to Guarantee Fund,\$125.30.

7. Re Baker case. Your Executive experienced more difficulty in this case than all the others together. A writ was issued against the Secretary, the preliminary examination cost \$75.00; after considerable delay the case was sent to trial; unfortunately the Grand Jury brought in no Bill, which action caused considerable dissatisfaction; not being satisfied with the result the Supreme President consulted Mr. Crankshaw, a leading lawyer in Montreal, who was satisfied that had the matter been properly handled in Montreal, the results would have been different, there seems to have been great reluctancy on the part of some past officers to give evidence. After considering all the circumstances the Supreme Executive thought it best to drop any further proceedings. The costs in this case are very heavy, up to the present time the Law costs in Montreal are, \$321.00; the Supreme Solicitor's fees, \$50.00; attendance of witnesses, \$49.60; total \$420.60. This does not include the amount still claimed by the Lodge, which your Executive request this supreme body to deal with.

You will observe that this case extends over the last three years, and while the present Secretary was accused of being a party to the difficulty, I am bound to state that to Bro. Sellers is due the credit of exposing the discrepancies, as soon as he received the books from the late Secretary.

- 8. I desire once again to call the attention of this Supreme Body to the fact, that in every case the lack of proper and efficient audits are the cause of these losses. Careless and indifferent audits are a source of great anxiety, and in the cases cited above great loss to the Department funds. It is absolutely necessary in order to protect the funds and prevent frauds, that competent auditors be appointed, and a thorough investigation of the Lodge books made every quarter.
- 9. Notwithstanding the heavy drain on the funds during the past year, I am pleased to report a balance to the credit of the guarantee of \$1,134.70. For a statement of the receipts and expenditures, I refer you to the accompanying Balance Sheet.

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GUARANTEE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

To eash	balance Jar receipts to	n. 1st, 1895 Dec. 31st,	1895.				\$1,404 267	13
"	Bank inter						39	22
							\$1,720	65
		E	XPENDIT	URE.				
D (1)-	tham Lodge,	re chertes	re of Sec	retary I	J. Wil	d	\$ 38	27
By Cha	falgar Lodge	re Treasu	rer Leg	al Ex.	S. W. B	ırns	18	00
" Der	abigh Lodge	re Secreta	rv	" T	. P. But	ler	(6 00
	nerset Lodge		-3	" S	. W. Bu	rns	13	3 00
" Shr	ewsbury Loc	loe re Secr	etary L	egal Ex	., s. w.	Burns.	. 10	00
4 Brit	tannic Lodge	re Sec., L	egal Ex.	. S. W.	Burns	\$ 30 00		
44	"	"	"	Ligh	thall &			-
	Macdo	nald				59 00	8	00 0
" Yor	kshire Lodge	re Secreta	ry Lega	Ex., Li	ghthall &	&		
	Macdo	nald				200 00		
46	"		"	S. W	. Burns	50 00		
"	"	"	"	J. Cra	nkshaw	21 0)		
44	"	"	"	T. A.	Butler	25 0)		
"	"	"	witnesse	es, J. H	. Booth	27 60		
"	"	"	"	В. Т.	Sellars	22 00		
46	"	Official	Stenogr	apher		75 00	45	0 60
" cas	sh balance							0 68 34 70
							\$1,75	20 6

Examined and found correct.

GEO. CLAY, W. BARKER, Auditors.

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET.

INCOME.

The receipts from Capitation Tax, \$4,143.64 is a decrease of \$240.72 from last report, this is the direct result of the new Law coming into force on the June quarter or first half of the year when only \$1,182.70 was collected, the second half year shows a decided improvement being \$2,960.94 or \$1,778.24 more than the first half year, proving conclusively that when the new change was understood and in full operation, that members payments were far more satisfactory. Cash sales \$2,221.55, shows a decrease of \$796.14 from last report, this is owing chiefly to fewer Lodges being instituted, and the lodges being well supplied with necessary Regalia and stationery. Total receipts for the year \$6,364.19 exclusive of \$304.50, being 10 per cent. received from the Benificiary Board, sale of Anglo Saxon \$148.63.

EXPENDITURE.

2. The Expenditure must be classified under three divisions, the Management, General, and Miscellaneour or Incidental.

MANAGEMENT.

The Management Expenses comprises salaries. Supreme Secretary, \$1,000.00; Supreme Treasurer, \$150.00; Office Clerks, \$758.50; Auditors, \$100.00; Total, \$2,008.50, or \$135.40 more than last year, this is extremely moderate considering that the work in the office has been more than double during the past year.

GENERAL EXPENDITURE.

The General Expenses includes cost of last Grand Lodge meeting at Woodstock, \$259.55; official visits of Supreme Officers, \$194.35; official visits District Deputies, \$406.02; Executive meetings, \$137.50; opening ne v Lodges, \$141.79; postage of Secretary's office, \$256.70; Treasurer, \$64.22; other Grand Officers, \$17.30; discounts, drafts and express charges, \$128.33; reports of officers, \$122.62; printing S.G.L. Records, \$185.25; revised constitutions, \$76.50; S.G. Secretary's Financial Report for distribution among the Lodges, \$78.75; Revision Committee, \$12.00; printing sundries, \$236.00; advertising in Anglo Saxon, \$190.35; Ontario Gazette, \$1.80; rent of office, \$100.00; registration fees, \$25.00.

MISCELLANEOUS AND INCIDENTAL.

This comprises Past Supreme Presidents' Jewels, \$100.00; Anglo Saxon under new contract, \$306.50; Hall Co. stock Winnipeg, \$100.00; Telephone, \$45.00; Exhibition tent, \$69.07; Frateral Association, \$35.00; and several items of sundries which are given in detail in the receipts and expenditure.

3. The financial standing of Supreme Grand Lodge at the close of the year, notwithstanding reduced revenues, and depreciation of stock, supplies, etc., is better than last report, and is evidence that the Society is holding its own; considering that the times are as bad if not worse than last year, the returns and showing of the Society's records are in every sense satisfactory. I submit the receipts and expenditures in detail, assets and liabilities, also tabulated statement of amounts received from Subordinate Lodges which are an exact extract from the ledger, this statement should be carefully examined and checked by the Subordinate Lodges.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31st, 1895.

RECEIPTS.

To Capitation Tax for year 1895			\$ 4,143	(
" Cash Sales				
Members badges\$	172	35		
Ballots	5	69		
Ballot box	1	50		
Books	146	95		
Charters, R. R.	95	00		
Charters, W. R.	16	00		
Constitutions	320	49		
Clearances	6	93		
Certificates	123	10		
Emblems	101	20		
Flags	68	00		
Gavels	3	00		

Grand Lodge Reports	\$1 90		
Histories	60		
Jewels	365 85		
Odes	2 60		
Pads	127 48		
Regalia.	373 35		
" Chaplains	22 50		
Percentage	40		
Roses	25 50		
Ritual	51 10		
Seals	35 00		
Subscription books	50 73		
W. R. D. supplies	48 50		
To Juvenile Department—			
Badges	9 25		
Books	2 40		
Certificates.	12 70		
Charters	1 50		
Clearances	26		
Constitutions	9 09		
Emblems	75		
Flags	12 00		
Odes	25		
Pads	1 85		
Rituals	3 20		
Subscription books	2 58		
		\$ 2,221	55
Repayment of loan United Empire Lodge			00
Beneficiary Board 10 per cent. office			
expenses		304	50
Subordinate Lodges re Anglo Saxon		148	63
" Receipts on behalf of Defunct Lodges not in-			
cluded in Capitation Tax and supplies—			
Chesterfield	490 C1		
Avondale	\$39 64 57 90		
Eddystone	21 23		
	21 25	118	77
Hon. members fee			00
Balance		140	
		\$7,129	16

EXPENDITURE.

Dail Harbar Cara.		
By expenses S. G. L., March, 1895	\$ 203 55	
General Purpose Committee	56 00	
		\$ 259 55
Opening new Lodges		141 79
Official visits, S.G. President	104 25	
S.P.G. "	17 40	
S.G.V. "	4 00	
S.G. Secretary	68 70	
5.0. 55010002		194 35
Executive meetings		137 50
District Deputies expenses		406 02
Salaries, S. G. Secretary	1,000 00	
S.G. Treasurer	150 00	
Clerks	758 50	
Auditors	100 00	
Auditors		2,008 50
Postage, Secretary's office	256 70	
Treasurer	64 22	
S.G. President	14 85	
T. Elliott	1 45	
W. Hancock	1 00	
W. Hancock,		338 22:
Discounts and drafts	12 71	
	106 87	
Express charges	8 75	
Telegrams		128 33
S.G. Lodge Jewels		100 00
Reports, 1895		185 35
Printing G.L. Officers report		122 62
Revised Constitution		76 50
G. Secretary's Financial Statement for Lodges		78 75
Revision Committee		12 00
Merchandise—		
Ballots and boxes	12 30	
Books	60 10	
Constitutions	274 46	
Juveniles	8 00	
Emblems	168 55	
Flags	47 50	

Jewels	\$305 09	
Pads	49 75	
Regalia	304 00	
Chaplain's	24 00	
Roses	16 50	
Seals	4 50	
W. R. supplies	48 40	\$1,323 15
Printing, Sundry Expenses, Etc—		
Phillips & Smith, bond forms	3 50	
Receipt book, Funeral Dpt.	4 50	
Quarterly returns	26 00	
Treasurer's order book	5 00	
W. T. James, credential for delegates	3 75	
Circulars	3 00	,
Juvenile return forms	6 50	
Circulars to D. D	2 25	
Receipt book	6 00	
James & Williams, circulars to Lodges re		
changes in Constitution	5 00	
D.D. commission forms.	2 00	
Notices resession'l papers	2 00	
Printing envelopes	6 75	
T. Moore & Co., circulars to Secretaries and		
Auditors	7 00	
Notices of meeting and		
ballot papers	1 75	
Clearances	2 50	
Bourinot's Manual	4 87	
W. H. Eaton & Son, statement pads for office	5 00	
J. W. London, funeral rituals	15 00	
Circulars re changes in Constitution	10 00	
Peterboro' Review, Aims and Objects	10 88	
Blight Bros., letter book	2 00	
Letterheads, Pres., Sec., Treas	35 45	
Engraving design on stone	12 00	
Carbon paper for typewriter	60	
Carbon paper for typewriter	00	
Stationery and office supplies	8 50	

fiscellaneous—		
Rolph Smith, special cheque book	\$30 75	
Aylmer Sun, death certificates	5 00	
Aymor Sun, death of the control of t		\$236 00
Registration fee		25 00
Registering emblems		5 00
Filing cabinet		52 50
Changing name of Society		10 00
D. D. Jewel		14 00
Stationery and office supplies		68 47
Tin boxes for books etc		5 00
Repairing typewriter		9 70
Declaration of incorporation		5 00
Prize for index		25 00
Premium on officers bonds		20 00
Fraternal Association		35 00
Telephone		45 00
Officers' bags		18 00
Repairing trunk		3 00
Rent		100 00
Advertising Anglo Saxon	190 35	
Ontario Gazette	1 80	
Ontario Guine		192 15
Anglo Saxon re contract		306 50
Legal expenses		21 50
Loans Hull Lodge	50 00	
그는 그 그런 남은 사람들이 되었다. 얼마나를 가장하는 사람들이 살아왔다면 하는 것이 되었다. 그는 그는 그를 살아내는 것이 없는 것이 없는데 그렇게 되었다. 그렇게 되었다. 그 없는데	50 00	
United Empire		100 00
Hall Company, Winnipeg		100 00
Exhibition Tent		69 07
Sundries		19 77
Sundries		
In re Account of Defunct Lodges—		
Chesterfield Insurance	3 62	
Avondale printing	2 50	
Rent	52 50	
Eddystone "	6 25	
H. J. Evans, sick pay	66 00	
II. J. Dians, stok pay		130 87
		\$7,129 16

GENERAL BALANCE SHEET.

	\$7,129 16	\$7,129 16	* 200 00 100 00 100 00 812 57 2,355 17 80 51 262 00	\$3,910 25
EXPENDITURE.	By Expenditure	ASSETS.	By Sons of England Hall Stock, Toronto "Loans to Lodges "Balance due by Lodges "Stock on hand less depreciation "Yalue of Stock not scheduled "Furniture	
RECEIPTS.	### Supplies ### Supplies ### Supplies ### Supplies ### Subordinate Lodges re Anglo Saxon ### Saxon ### Subordinate Lodges re Anglo Saxon ### Saxon ### Saxon ### Supplies ### Subordinate Lodges ### Supplies ### Sup	\$7,129 16 LIABILITIES.	To Balance due Funeral Fund, Jan. 1st, 1896 \$ 377 39 to credit of Lodges in favor of S.G. Lodge 3,493 94	\$3,910 25

We have duly examined the Cash Account, Funeral Benefit Fund, Guarantee Fund, Liabilities and Assets with the Books of the Sons of England Benefit Society, in the possession of the Supreme Grand Secretary, and find them to be correct and in accordance therewith. GEO. CLAY, S.G.L. Auditors.

Toronto, February 21st, 1896.

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STOCK SHEET FOR DECEMBER 31st, 1895.

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			VALU	E.
*Burial services	61 at	\$0 16 each	\$ 9	76
Agenda R. R. D	9	0 25 "	2	25
*Agenda W. R. D	25	0 25 "	6	25
Rituals, R. R. D	274	0 50 "	137	00
* " W. R. D	129	0 50 "	64	50
" Juveniles	107	0 25 "	26	75
Ballots	50	0 75 per hundred		38
Ballot boxes	5	1 25 each	6	25
†Badges, Adults	327	0 50 "	163	50
† " Juveniles	113	0 25 ''	28	25
†Charters, Juvenile	17	0 50 ''	8	50
† " W. R. D	85	1 00 "	85	00
† " R. R. D	21	5 00 "	105	$00 \cdot$
†Constitutions	5317	0 05 "	265	85
t "Juveniles	429	0 03 "	12	87
tClearances	101	0 25 per dozen	2	10
†Emblems	515	3 00 "	128	75
Flags (Juvenile)	9	4 00 each	36	00
Gavels	14	0 75 per pair	5	25
†Histories, cloth	10 }	0 05 each	15	60
† " paper	302 5	o oo caca		
†Odes, Adults † " Juveniles	621 960	0 01 "	15	81
Roses	94	2 00 per dozen	15	67
Chaplain's caps	3	3 00 each	9	00
†Certificates members	3959	25 "	989	75
Juvenile	1597	10 "	159	70
Regalia	4	3 00 "	12	00
W. R. Supplies, H. W	15	25 "	3	75
" » " S. K	4	3 00 "	12	00
" " Flambeaus	8	2 50 per pair	10	00
" Surplices	12	1 00 each	12	00
Books—				
Black	7	1 00 each	7	00
Ledger	2	1 50 "	3	00
Minute	2	1 50 "	3	00
Medical on and off fund.	60	50 "	30	00
Medical Examinations	91	50 "	45	50.

	1.5	go	each	\$9	00
Order on Treasurer	15			29	
Registration	29	1 00	,		
Roll Calls	33	60) "		80
Subscription B	6397	03	3 . "	191	91
Secretary's Cash	71	1 50) "	106	50
Treasurer's Cash	92	60		55	20
†Pads	273	40	, "	109	20
				\$2,958	60
* Unsaleable				80	51
				\$2,878	09
+ 25 per cent. on \$2,0)89.88, v	aluation	of goods, to	allow for	
depreciation				522	47
				\$2,355	62
				-	BECOMA.

SUPREME GRAND LODGE OFFICE FURNITURE.

ma	Safe	\$100	00	To Letter Press \$	2	00
	Office Desks			" Cyclostyle		00
	Secretary	00		" Boxes and Valises	25	00
	Flag		00	" G. Officers Regalia	10	00
	Seal	-	00	" Office Fittings	50	00.
	Typewriter	-	00	" Small Sundries	5	00
	•			ф	2969	00

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STATEMENT

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SHOWING LODGES PAYING CAPITATION TAX, BONDS AND SUPPLIES, BEING AN EXTRACT COPY OF SUPREME LODGE LEDGER.

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No.	LODGE.	Capitation Tax.		Bonds.		R. R. D. Supplies.		W. R. D. Supplies.	Juvenile Supplies.	Total Cash from each Lodore	-	Dr.	Cr.
1	Albion	B 140	50 8	\$ 2	60	\$ 10	06	\$	\$	\$ 153	168	B	\$
	Middlesex		70	2	50		95			152	15		
	Kent	98	40	2	50	9	10			110	00		
_	Essex	27	60	1	25	1	90			30	75		
	Sussex	37	00	2	50	10	95			50	45	3 60	
	York	34	90	1	35	34	95			71	20		
	Brighton	41	40	2	00	17	84			61	24		
	Britannia	57	80	1	69	10	70			70	19	80	
	Old England	14	10	4	50	3	20				80	13	
	Somerset	26	00	1	45	5	03			32	48		
	Surrey	39	00	1	26	16	45				71		
	Victoria	17	10	2	00	4	40			23	50		
	Warwick	49	30	2	00	4			-		95		
	Manchester	44	80	2	38	6	15				33	30	
	Durham	54	10	2	00	2	85			58	95		
	Oxford	56	40	2	00	38				96	40		
	Chester	61	70	2	00	13				77	20		
	Wellington	27	70	-	97	3				90	02		
	Westminster	23	60	4	00	18		1		46	08	1 50	
	Bedford	20	60	1	12.0	3				25	50		
	R of Couchiching	35	00	2		11				10	60		
	Lansdowne	67	70	-	90	2		1		- 60	70	15 95	
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	St. George	38	10	-	10	1				40	05	1 90	
	Southampton	23	00	i	25					26	95	1 30	
	Acorn	38	20	1					••••	57	30		
		85		2						107	03		
	London Stafford	*17		1	-	1	00			10	80	13 67	
				2			50			50		10 01	
9	Leicester	30		-			50			AE		2 10	
	Canterbury	28											
	Windsor	35					3 25			. 40			1
9	Excelsior	21				1							
3	7 Chelsea	22		1			25						
	8 Lancaster	19	-				Sch 193337			. 49			
3	9 Yorkshire	*29	60]	25	34	18	3		. 65	03		

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10	Deschier abom	12 20	88	2 20			15 28		
	Buckingham	74 20	1 50	14 70			90 40		
41	Victoria Jubilee Salisbury	47 60	1 25	18 50			67 35	9 72	
	Nelson	15 10	1 25	2 95			19 30	4 20	
	Bowood	14 60		2 75			17 35		
	Portsmouth	21 40	1 26	4 45			27 11		
	New Castle	9 10	91	1 64			11 65		
	Worcester	43 90	1 26	7 15			52 31	1 50	
	Leeds	17 00	88	1 25			19 13		
	Primrose	59 40	2 50	11 60			73 50	3 50	
	Trafalgar	17 70		17 23			34 93	5 00	
	Prince of Wales.	13 20	1 25	3 10		30	17 85	3 06	
53	British Lion	51 60	4 00	8 00			63 60		
54	Cambridge	31 70	1 40	13 30			46 40	38	
55	Stanley	15 80	2 13	16 50			34 43	28 33	
56	Russell	7 20	1 25				8 45		
57	Norfolk	13 30	1 25	2 50			17 05		
61	Prince Albert	30 70	2 50	1 46			34 66 25 38	1	
	Truro	21 80	93	2 65			25 38 18 45		
	Plymouth	10 90	1 25	6 30			37 82		
	Richmond	29 90	1 67 88	6 25 1 20			12 58		
	Kensington	10 50		4 48			29 48		
	Preston	23 50	$\frac{1}{3} \frac{50}{00}$	4 93			34 23		
	Birmingham	26 30 15 10	1 88	16 65			33 63	4	
	Sherwood	$ \begin{array}{cccc} 15 & 10 \\ 18 & 20 \end{array} $	1 25	3 35			24 55	1	
	Dover	21 10	2 50	3 30			00 00		
	Royal City	19 10	1 25	14 20			94 55		
76	Loyalty St. Alban's	18 70	1 25	3 13	1	1	00 00		
	Wilberforce	*20 00	1 20	0 10		1 1 2 1 1 1 1	00 00		
	Queen Victoria.	18 80	1 25	13 50			99 55		
	Rugby	24 70	94	16 80			10 4	1 13	
	Mercantile	31 80	2 50	10	1		04 44		
	2 British Oak	27 60	1 25	2 45			01 0		
	Sheffield	12 90	1 25	6 30			00 4	5	
	4 Cromwell	8 10		1 60)		9 7		
	5 Croydon	25 90		7 21)
	6 Mistletoe	6 20					6 2		
	7 Suffolk	33 00	1 40	9 87			44 2	7'	

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00	Discodilla	*14 0	0	1 25	60			15 85	1 30	
	Piccadilly		0	1 25	3 00			16 35		
-	Exeter		0	1 25	3 60			27 95		
-	Bristol	16 6		1 25	1 40			19 25		
	Bradford		80	1 25	1 18			14 73	60	
	Devonshire			1 20	1 70			7 30	00	
	Northampton		00	1 05	7 40			50 65		
94	Hearts of Oak		00	1 25				26 88		
	Denbigh		00	1 25	63					36
	Chesterfield		20	1 25	2 60					30
	Westward Ho!		30		27 20			61 50		
99	Winchester		50	1 25				15 75	9 00	
100	Norwich		30	1 25	11 21			33 76	3 00	
101	Thames		60	1 25	5 45	1		62 30		
102	Devon	* 6	20	1 25	1 20			8 65		
103	Gloucester	14	00		1 20			15 20		
	Hull	24	40	1 25	2 68			28 28		
	Wolfe	16	60	88	16 18			33 66		
	Grimsby	14	60	2 00	3 30			19 90		
	Yarmouth		50	88	1 20			14 55	90	
	Torbay		20	88	1 20			9 28		
	Brampton		50	1 25	7 00)		30 75	30	
	Darlington		90	1 20	4 7	1		23 65		
	Guildford	*15			- "	1		15 40	16 30	
			TO					1	1 70	
	Royal Standard.	24	00	2 50	8 5			35 90	48 30	
	Britannie							00-05	10 00	
	Albert		10					00 75	3 00	
	Rose of Columbia		90	1 25		0	1	52 30	1 00	1
	6 Alexandra	1	10	2 50				20 00	1	
	United Roses		00	2 50				14 00		
	Scarborough		10	88						
	Rose of England		30	88						
	Grosvenor	11	30	1 25				14 30		
12	1 Cornwall	12	40	88						
	2 Osborne	13	50	1 25						
12	3 Hamilton	16	30	2 63		0				
	4 Guelph	9	20	1 25	1 3	1				
	5 United Empire		10	1 25		5		. 13 20		
	6 Macclesfield		90	1 25	1 5	8		. 12 78	3	1 .

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127	Magna Charta	\$ §\$	\$		\$	\$	\$	\$16 70	\$
	Wolverhampton.	18 60	1 25	2 20			22 05	30	
	Boston	14 80	1 25	16 63	,		32 68	1 20	
	Royal George	* 5 40		40			5 80		
	Pride of Island.	10 20	1 25				11 45		
	Berkeley	13 30	87	1 92		18	16 27		
	Waterloo	* 3 30	50				3 80		
	Cambria	* 8 30		50			8 80	50	
	Selby	9 24	1 25	60			11 09		
	Clarence	6 40	2 50	1 20			10 10		
	Gainsborough	7 40	2 50	2 70			12 60		
	St. Asaph	* 6 00	2 00	60			6 60	60	
	Liverpool	+ 7 40	1 25	3 60			12 25	5 01	
	Ludlow	15 10	88	2 25			18 23		
	Chatham	10 00	2 13	23 19			35 32		
	Londesborough.	18 30	1 75	15 75			35 80		
		*23 10	1 25	6 73			31 08	13 50	
	Neptune	1		2 60				15 50	
	Epping		$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 25 \\ 1 & 25 \end{array}$	_			17 15		
	Lichfield	18 70		4 67			24 62		
	Royal Roses	10 70	1 25	18 50			39 25	90 00	
	Eton	1	1 25	62 20			83 15	38 60	
	Kenilworth		25	13 50			27 45	3 20	
150	Halifax	*16 50	2 50	9 60			28 60	36 70	
	Islington		1 25				15 65	3 00	
	Lincoln		1 50	3 65			19 25		
	Kempenfeldt	10 60		1 58	1		12 18		
	Launceston	1	1 25	1 55			22 40	1 80	
155	Runnymede	6 50			1		6 50		
	Burlington	11 40	1 25	3 61	1		16 26		
	Black Prince	15 00		1 31			16 31		
158	Shrewsbury	25 00	2 20	8 00			35 20		
159	Enfield	13 00	4 39	3 26	3		20 65		
160	Rose of Stanley	9							
	Coventry	* 9 30		41 72	2 50		53 52	4 33	
	Prince George.	* 5 30					5 30		
163	Clifton	14 30	1 00	1 57	7		16 87		
	Shakespeare		88	20 98			40 03		
165	Tennyson	14 80	1 48	18 10			94 90		
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		φ 90	10	4 0	95	4 5	43	\$	Ф	\$ 3	6 08	\$ 3 30	\$
	ewton		40		25					14	6 10	1 50	*
	umberland	U	10 80				51				8 31		
	udbury			0	10	0	50				9 30		
	ancouver	6			40	4	95			1	9 40		2
	vondale	†13		1	25 25		20			4			
	eaconsfield	1000	90	1	20	90				1			
	ilton		00	:			75				665		
	ictory		90	1	75		00				1 65		
	randon	* 9	-	:	05	22	55				7 35		
	nglo-Saxon	6		1			10			1		1	
76 In	nperial	18		1			80				4 75		
77 E	mpress of West	*14		1			60			1	2 15		
	heltenham	25	50	2	00		99				4 99		
79 F	idelity	7	50		88	1	00				9 38		
	lberta	0.								1			
	uke of York	1 1 3	30				05				3 35	1	
82 M	Ionarch	14	30	1	50	3	46				9 26		
	[ammersmith	19	60		88	13	78				4 26		
	ydford	22	20	1	25	3	35	75			7 55		
	uke of Cornwall				25	4	75				5 40		
	Ianitoba		80							. 1	4 80	16 50	
	underland			1								28 90	
	cose of Vernon			1									
	evern		60		25		74			1	1 59		
	ancashire		00				65			1	8 6	5	
	hilliwack		40		50		00			1	9 90		
	orest of Dean.	1	60	1			82			1	1 45	1 00	
		1 1 2									2 20		
04 1	orquay	1	60		88	9	51		1	1	2 99		
	Iereford				25		30		1		5 5		
	Derbyshire		00			1	56				6 0		
	ddystone				25	17					26 9		
OO T	lgoma		60		• • • •		37 56				25 56		
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202 N	Vorthumberland	4	1 60		50		75				5 8		
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05 06 07 08 09 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20	Bridgwater Stockport Cardigan Marlborough Shaftesbury Beresford Maple Leaf King Alfred Ivy Rosebery Rose of Harwich Temple Bar Marston Moor Great Grimsby Burnaby Prince Edward Manitoulin Westmount Holborn Chebucto	\$ 29 00 \{ 9 00 \} 7 00 \\ 17 00 \\ 10 30 \\ 12 90 \\ **5 50 \\ **7 50 \\ **8 20 \\ **4 60 \\ ** \\ *	2 50 2 50 2 50 1 25 2 13 2 13 3 63 1 25 2 50	8 64 90 3 20 19 40 63 47 17 25 7 80 15 86 46 18 63 91 43 50 42 75 47 85 27 05 26 30 49 15 26 00 75 15	\$ 8 50 2 50 6 00 9 00 3 00 3 00	\$	\$ 93 90 23 20 28 90 80 47 31 30 20 70 19 06 57 51 78 54 52 63 51 50 67 55 31 65 30 55 52 15 26 00 75 15	\$ 17 58 16 90 42 20 67 95 4 73 24 25 17 75 20 00 34 25 18 00	
	Private sales			29 78			29 78	40 55	***
	W. Rose Lodges. Chester & Truro Montreal United Clarendon		::::	1 20		::::	1 20	6 50 55	
3	Juvenile Lodges. Hamilton Yorkshire Victoria Jubilee Queen's	arters onl		80		61 2 50 2 54	2 50	4 45	

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No.	LODGE.	Capitation Tax.	Bonds.	R. R. D. Supplies	W. R. D. Supplies	Juvenile Supplies	Total Cash from each Lodge.	Dr.	Cr.
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	alisbury					1 00	1 00		
	Iiddlesex								
	British Lion					: : : :	0.00		
	ion			2 07		1 56			
10 A	dma					80	80		
12 V	Vellington					1 00	1 09		
	Vaterloo			73		1 20			
14 C	oxford			13		60			
16 S	star of England			96		1 35			
21 H	Royal Crown					$\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 56 \\ 1 & 60 \end{array}$			
	Vorcester					1 00	1 00	75	
24 F	Prince Alfred					1 50	1 50		
25 6	Queen of West.			05		1 05			
	Boston			$\begin{array}{cc} & 85 \\ & 25 \end{array}$		72			
	Plantagenet					14 20		1	
30 M	Maple Leaf			75		2 00			
31 H	Halifax			75		6 25			
	Britannia			10		6 22			
33 1	Berkeley					0 22			
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BENEFICIARY DEPARTMENT.

1. When the amendments to the Beneficiary Department were being considered a year ago, there was considerable anxiety as to the propriety of changing the system of making assessments at death to a fixed monthly payment, and fears were entertained that the Department would suffer, and that large numbers of the members would allow themselves to lapse. It was difficult to convince some of our members that the plan of calling in funds when needed to pay claims, was unsound, and for a fraternal institution to attempt to carry on its work on such lines without providing a reserve to meet contingencies, was unwise, and not calculated to create confidence in the undertaking. The Supreme Lodge however adopted the change, and I am pleased to report that the fears of the members have not been realized, on the contrary, the Beneficiary Department is on a more solid basis and in a better financial position than before.

CHANGE OF SYSTEM.

2. Considerable difficulty was experienced, and delay caused, through having to provide a new system of books and return forms, after a good deal of careful thought and work, the books were prepared, and issued to the secretaries, with all necessary explanations. The change came into operation on the first of July, and though the returns were slow for the first month, I am pleased to report that they are now being made regularly and I am satisfied before the end of the first year, both members and secretaries will need no further instructions. The new system when in thorough working order will certainly make the work lighter for our Lodge secretaries, as the books and forms provided are simple and casily understood and the Post Card System which took up so much time dispensed with.

LAPSED MEMBERS.

3. Though six months is hardly sufficient time to judge of the benefits of the change, the statements which I have pleasure in submitting is sufficient to prove the wisdom of the course adopted by this Supreme Body at its last annual session.

Under the old assessment system, or during the first half of 1895, there were 107 Lapses. Though there were only six calls made on the members while under the new system or during the last six months, there were only eighteen Lapses though there are several members who have not yet made the last payment. Total Lapses for the year,

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125, viz: 114 in Ontario; five in Quebec; three in North-West Territories; three in British Columbia, of this number 116 were married and nine single. It has been suggested that members who are not returned as having paid, should be notified by the Supreme Grand Secretary, this suggestion might be carried out once every three months.

MEMBERSHIP.

4. During the year 179 applications were received of these sixteen were rejected, one over age, number accepted 163, viz: 135 \$1,000, certificates representing \$135,000; 26, \$2,000 certificates \$52,000; 2, \$500 certificates \$1,000, total \$188,000, after allowing for Lapses there is a net increase of nineteen in the Department, or a total membership of 2,409, divided as follows: 312 certificates holders at \$2,000 representing \$624,000; 2,074 \$1,000 certificate holders representing \$2,074,000; 24 certificate holders at \$500 \$12,000, total \$2,. 710,000, as compared with \$2,458,000 last report. The average age of members is thirty-eight and one-third years. During the year there were nineteen deaths, sixteen of which occurred during the first half, and three during the second half of the year. The death rate is 7-88 per thousand, the average age of deceased members forty-four and one-half years, the average duration of membership 5.2 years, from constitutional causes .83, from consumption 1.66, from local diseases 5.39.

BALANCE SHEET.

5. A careful perusal of the accompanying Balance Sheet and Financial Statement will show the exact position of this department, also the state of the several funds.

Amount received on assessment calls in class A, \$9,412.48, of this amount ten per cent. was paid to the Reserve Fund leaving \$8,471.23 to be added to the balance of last report \$8,191.48, making \$16,662.71. To this is added \$409.80 in class B, total \$17,072.51. The payments \$16,000 in class A, \$778,90 in class B, \$1,600 liability re Leach & McClean paid into court, making a total of \$18,378.90, this shows a deficit of \$1,306.39 on the first half year.

6. Amount collected under the monthly payment for the six months ending Dec. 31, 1895, \$13,784.95, of this \$1,378.49, ten per cent., has been carried to Reserve Fund, making \$12,406.46, to this is added \$103.39 bank interest, total \$12,509.85, from this amount was paid one claim \$1,000. Disability claim \$500, deficit from first half year \$1,306.39, leaving to credit of General Fund \$9,703.46, deduct from this amount liabilities Dec. 31, 1895, \$4,510.90. We have a balance to credit of General Fund January 1, 1896, \$5,192.56.

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1895, le on on ths, obers year, 7. Credit to the Reserve Fund \$2,455.55 this is invested in a special account, at the rate of three-and-one-half per cent.

8. The revenue to the Management Fund is derived from application Fees \$414.65; New policies \$18.10; Fines under the old system \$37.18; sundries five cents, total \$470.38, added to \$1,850.57 balance from last report, total \$2,320.95. The expenditure is larger than usual, this is owing in a great measure to the change of system, necessitated by the purchase of books and forms for the Sub-Lodge secretaries, also new ledger and registration books for the Supreme Secretary's office, amounting to \$234.50. Printing of post cards \$193.00 under the old system will not be a liability in the future, the item \$304.50 will increase with the advancement of the Department, the other items of expenditure are uncontrolable, and will depend on the business done by this branch of our work. Total expenditure \$1,484.18 is exceedingly low, and not in any sense proportionate with the labor and work of this department. The balance to credit of this fund is \$836.77.

9. It will be observed that the only source of revenue to this Department is from the application fees, which cannot possibly meet the expenditure. It will be necessary to make provision, in some way, to meet these contingencies, though the estimated expenditure for the coming year may be covered by the balance on hand. I need hardly state that the work of the Beneficiary Department in our office occupies fully one-half of our time and attention. It will take us fully three months to complete our work rendered necessary by the change of system.

10. The number of certificates issued during the past year is not up to previous records, this may be accounted for by the change in the system, the classification of risks, and the hard times. The intere in this Department in the Lodge room, is not so great as it should be considering the importance of the benefits derived, for example the President says, next order of business; applications for Beneficiary, Certificates; any applications for the Beneficiary? a pause.... next order, and the subject is dropped. Why should this be The President might take up the last report, read extracts therefrom, refer to the necessity of making provision for their families, explain to the members the good accomplished by the Department, and make known the fact that \$96,293 have been paid the families of deceased members, let us have more discussion in the Lodge room on the benefits of the Beneficiary.

11. I regret to report that the claim against the late secretary of Oxford Lodge, for Assessment 56-7, viz.: \$96.36, is still unsettled.

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12. One application for disability was rejected by the Supreme Medical Examiner and disallowed by the Beneficiary Board, this application, however, is still under consideration.

LEGAL PROCEEDINGS.

13. During the month of August we received information from the secretary of Tennyson Lodge that a writ had been issued against him for signing and issuing Beneficiary Certificates, the action was taken under the Quebec Laws, by one Bowker, and was somewhat difficult, at first, to get at. Your Executive lost no time in giving instructions and advice, and after one or two adjournments the case was tried before the Recorder of Hull, a conviction followed, and a fine of \$20.00 imposed on the secretary; the solicitors were instructed to appeal the case, at this juncture the Executive of the Canadian Fraternal Association; in view of the importance of the case, offered their assistance, and agreed, (if our Executive were willing) to take the whole responsibility of carrying the appeal through and pay all costs. Your Executive, after considering the fact that this action affected all similar institutions, concluded that the Canadian Fraternal Association would certainly, as a representative body, be the proper parties to handle such a case, and willingly accepted the offer of the Association. The matter was at once placed in the hands of the Fraternal Association, and after some considerable time, and through the earnest efforts of D. F. McWatt, the solicitor of the Association, the case was brought to a close and the decision of the Recorder's Court reversed. If any doubt ever existed, as to the usefulness of the Fraternal Association, or the necessity of our being identified with that body, this action on their part will certainly remove such. I would say more, I am of opinion that the thanks of this Supreme Grand Body are due to the Executive Officers of that Association for their generous and friendly assistance on such an important occasion, their action must have saved your Beneficiary Department about \$200.00. I cannot omit to mention that our own officers, and especially Bro. Teague, D.D., deserves credit for their readiness to assist on this occasion. The cost of the trial in the first court was: S. W. Burns, \$23.68; G. C. Wright, \$20.00; C. C. Skipworth, \$8.74; total, \$52.42 which was paid from the Beneficiary Funds.

I respectfully refer the accompanying tables and statistics with balance sheets, to the careful consideration of this Supreme Body.

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BENEFICIARY DEPARTMENT.

TABLES COMPILED FROM THE GRAND LODGE REGISTER.

Shewing the number of Policies issued under the various scales of Assessment.

No.	LODGE.	No. of \$2,000 Policies.	No. of \$1,000 Policies.	No. of \$500 Policies.	Age 18 to 30.	Age 30 to 35.	Age 35 to 40.	Age 40 to 45.	Age 45 to 50.	Age 50 to 55.	Age 55 to 60.	Age over 60.	No. in each Lodge.
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Shewing the number of Policies issued under the various scales of Assessment.

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BENEFICIARY DEPARTMENT.

Table Shewing Members who have died during the year with cause of death and date of joining.

Died.	July 6, 1887 Dec. 2, 1894 Dec. 1, 1886 Jan. 23, 1895 Sept. 5, 1894 Jan. 27, 1895 June 5, 1889 Jan. 27, 1895 Spec. 6, 1893 Jan. 27, 1895 Is Dec. 7, 1887 Feb. 7, 1895 Nov. 2, 1887 April 26, 1895 Nov. 2, 1887 April 26, 1895 Nov. 5, 1890 April 26, 1895 May 5, 1886 May 8, 1895 March 7, 1888 May 8, 1895 In Dec. 2, 1891 May 9, 1895 Sy June 2, 1887 May 15, 1895 April 2, 1890 June 2, 1895 June 2, 1891 Oct. 7, 1895 May 6, 1892 Dec. 7, 1895 June 5, 1889 Oct. 7, 1895 June 5, 1889 Oct. 7, 1895
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Name.	James Brooks 40 Chester F. Edwards 50 Southampt H. Marshall 41 Leicester J. F. Best 50 Royal Geor James F. Price 39 Lancashire George Turner 28 Epping John Simnett 51 Middlesex T. W. Reeves 52 Primrose T. W. Reeves 52 Primrose Thos. Lush 43 Lansdowne Geo. H. Thorpe 41 Commercia B. S. Peet 57 Windsor G. E. Morris 35 Albion W. Y. Brittain 32 York F. T. Slaney 32 Manitoba F. Harrison 34 Newcastle Wm. Toms 38 Albion
Assess- nent No.	81

BENEFICIARY DEPARTMENT.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT DECEMBER 31st., 1895.

INCOME.

To Cash balance, Jan. 1st, 1895			\$10,042	50
"Applications for Certificates	\$414	75		
" New Certificates	18	00		
" Fines	37	58		
" Sundries		05		
			470	38
"Assessments		43		
" " Class B	. 409	80		-
" Bank Interest, General Fund	103	20	23,607	23
" " Reserve "				
Reserve	. 135	91	239	20
			200	20
			\$34,358	86
EXPENDITURE.				
By Death Claims, Class A	\$18 600	00		
" . " " В	778		\$19,378	00
Obsability Claim			500	
" 10 per cent. office expenses as per resolution			300	00
of Supreme Grand Lodge, 1892	4904	50		
" Medical Examiners' Fees	\$304	TO		
	155	00		
" Printing sundry \$ 31 25				
" " P. eards 161 75				
// 17	193			
" Fees returned	14	25		
Miscellaneous-				
By Books and forms for new system	234	50		
"Sundry Postages, Sub. Lodge Secs. \$117 19	204	90		
" S. G. Secretary . 127 00				
" S. G. Treasurer 45 92	200			
" Commission II and I and I am	290			
"Commission allowed Sub. Lodge Secretaries	110			
"Auditors	100			
" Legal Advice	. 55	68		
" Express Charges	26	59		
			1,484	18

		The state of the s				
By	Credit	, General Fund	\$10,538	85		
"	"	Reserve "	2,455	55		
"	44	in Secretary's hands		38		
					12,995	78
					\$34,358	86

Having examined the books and vouchers in the hands of the Supreme Grand Secretary, we beg to certify that the above statement is a correct abstract of the books.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{WM. BARKER,} \\ \text{GEO. CLAY,} \end{array} \right\} Auditors.$$

January 24th, 1896.

Table shewing the amounts paid each year since 1886.

$ \begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	1891	$egin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	(*500 (
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Disability claims.

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BENEFICIARY DEPARTMENT.—Balance Sheet, Dec. 31st 1895.

	MANAGEMENT FUND.
To Expenditure " 10 per cent. office expenses paid to S. G. L. " Medical Examination Fees 155 00 " Printing Post Cards, etc. 14 25 " Books, etc.; New Syetem 234 50 " Postage 290 11 " Commission to Lodge Secretrys 110 55 " Legal Advice 55 68 " Express charges 26 59	By Balance, Jan. 1st, 1895. \$1,850 57 "Applications
" By Balance, Dec. 31st, 1895	\$1,484 18 836 77
	*2,320 95
Liabilities.	Assets. Assets. By Bal. eredit Jan. 1st, 1896 \$2,455.55
Liabilities.	. Issets.
To Am't due F. T. Slaney, Manitoba. \$2,000 00 " W. Toms, Newcastle 2,000 00 " W. Drage, disabil. bal. 500 00 " Mrs. Hinchcliffe, Cl. B. 5 45 " Mrs. Dean, 5 45	By Bal. credit Jan. 1st, 1896 \$9,703 46
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	\$9,703 46 \$9,703 46
Examined and found correct. January 24th, 1896.	WILLIAM BARKER, \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

- 1. There are 605 members in this Department, 99 joined during the year, 49 were transferred to Adult Lodges, 1 rejected, 7 died, 2 were entitled to the Funeral Benefit. There are 532 in good standing, 73 in arrears.
- 2. Amount of eash received by the Branch Secretaries, \$1,721.64; paid for sick benefits, \$481.49; paid doctors, \$433.45; paid for Management Expenses, \$451.29; cash in bank, \$1,313.70; in hands of Treasurer, \$369.17; total funds of Branches, \$1,749.62; this is an improvement of \$218.38 over last year, showing the Department to be in a better financial position than last report. One claim for Funeral Benefit was disallowed on the ground that the Branch had not made any returns to the Supreme Grand Lodge.
- 3. The above statements show that the Juveniles are making a great effort to pull through, and if they receive the encouragement they are entitled to would soon make a good record. The Branch initiating the largest number during the year is Vic. Jubilee, of Montreal, being 26. It is a great mistake to imagine that this Branch of our work will succeed unless more sympathy is extended to, and interest taken in this Department. The Juveniles enquire, why the members of the Sons of England do not visit them, if they are a part of the Society, why so little interest is taken in their affairs, and they earnestly call on the members to support them, and in return promise when they are of age to join the adult Lodges.
- 4. The constant changing of the Constitution prevents the Executive from procuring a supply of books and forms necessary for the proper carrying on of this Department, and we earnestly hope some definite action will be taken to have the laws and regulations fixed for a term of years so that forms can be procured to comply with such rules.
- 5. The subject of Regalia and Badges for Juveniles is one requiring consideration. With a view of making the Lodge work more interesting, and giving it some importance, we have procured a sample regalia for the officers and members for your approval.
 - 6. We ask the members to advise their boys to join the Juveniles.
- 7. We submit the accompanying tables and statistics for the information of this Supreme Body.

JUVENILE LODGES—STATEMENT

Shewing Numerical Standing of each Branch.

No. LODGE.	No. in Good Standing.	No. in Arrears.	Total.	No. Joined Adult Lodges.	No. Rejected.	No. Died.	Average Age of Members.	No. Joined During Year.
1 Hamilton	. 52	_						
3 Victoria Jubilee	67	5	57 68	3			141	7
4 Queen's	. 21	14	35)		3	$12\frac{3}{4}$	11
6 Prince Edward	. 66	5	71	2	. 1		13 12	2
7 Middlesex	. 30	10	40	2 5			12	10
8 British Lion	. 13	6	19	2		-		10
9 Lion								
10 Alma	15 45	3	18	3 .		1	141	
2 Wellington	4 49		45	7.				4
3 Waterloo 4 Oxford	27		90					
6 Star of England	* 11	-	29 11	4 .			12 .	
Bedford	. 12	4	16	9 .			113	2
1 Royal Crown	· +		10	9.			13	1
2 Denbigh	10		10	1			14	
3 Worcester	t							
Firmee Affred	10	7	17	6 .				3
Queen of West	18 33	2	20	1		1	03	
Doston	* 18		33	1		1	51	
Plantagnet Prince George	13		18 13	4			33	1
Brandon	* 6	10	16	.:			$\frac{21}{3}$	4
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Halifax	26	3	29			i i		. :
Britannia	14	1	15	1		1 1		7 16
Berkeley	25		25			. i		$\frac{10}{26}$
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	532	73 6	05	19	1	7		99

^{*} Partial returns.

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1 Hamilton 3 Vic. Jubile 4 Queen's ... 5 London ... 6 Prince Ed 7 Middlesex 8 British Lio 9 Lion 10 Alma 12 Wellington 13 Waterloo 14 Oxford 16 Star of Eng 20 Bedford ... 21 Royal Crow 22 Denbigh ... 23 Worcester 24 Prince Alf 25 Queen of W 26 Boston ... 27 Plantagnet

27 Plantagnet 28 Prince Geor 29 Brandon 30 Maple Leaf 31 Halifax

32 Britannia 33 Berkeley

⁺ No returns.

JUVENILE LODGES—STATEMENT

Shewing Amount of Cash Received and Expended.

		1721 64	481 49	433 45	451 29	1313 70	369 17	1749 62
						1		
33 B	Berkeley	45 54		15 84	16 00		5 50	5 50
32 F	Britannia	39 35			7 00	25 00	3 90	28 90
31 L	Halifax	80 33		14 13	16 90		67 92	67 92
30 N	Standon Maple Leaf	où où					OT 20	34 25
20 I	Prince George. Brandon	* 8 87		7 00	50		34 25	34 2
28 1	Plantagnet	33 10		9 00	1 47	44 77	3 86	48 6
27 I	Plantagnet	* 28 65	15 05	10 50	7 73		12 00	12 0
26 1	Queen of West Boston	96 45	2 00	34 75	34 60	57 42	8 75	116 1
95 (Prince Alfred.	60 97	6 00	10 94	14 30	48 77	22 76	71 5
94 1	Worcester	51 85	5 00	10 21	13 87	62 86	5 70	68 5
92 1	Denbigh	1 -: ::					' ''	. 11
21 1	Royal Crown.	30 20	11 85	8 00	12 81		7.77	7.7
201	Bedford	†			5 10	35 00	17 56	52 5
16	Star of England	32 06	5 40	15 50	9 16	35 00	11 65	11 6
14	Oxford	* 17 77	7 50	3 80	2 73	00 00	11 65	89 6
13	Waterloo	67 70	13 90	28 50	12 48	89 66		00
12	Wellington	†			01 20	200 00	8 58	213
10	Alma	$162 \ 35$	37 33	47 75	31 29	205 00	14 25	114
10	Lion	73 75	13 00	21.75	24 54	100 00	14 05	111
8	British Lion	†				100 00	10 19	103
0	Middlesex	36 50	13 33	18 11	11 74	100 00	10 19	23
7	Prince Edward		25 50		38 05	11	23 51	390
0	London	228 14	23 80	56 80	56 70	337 11	52 90	112
4	Queen's	131 71	25 75	45 50	28 44	91 06	21 88	84
3	Vic. Jubilee		180 56	30 00	55 80	58 18	* 33 78 2 46	
1	Hamilton	\$ 179 53	\$ 95 52	\$ 45 37	\$ 55 18	\$ 58 87	d 99 70	d 00
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		Amount of Cash Re- ceived during year	Amount Paid Benefits	Amount Paid Doctor.	Amount of Manage- ment Expenses.	Amount of Cash in Bank.	Amount of Cash in Treasurer's hands.	tal
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^{*} Partial returns.

No. Joined During Year.

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⁺ No returns.

JUVENILE FUNERAL BENEFIT DEPARTMENT.

				RECEIPTS.						
No.	LODGE.		No. Registered.		Reg. Fees.		Assess- ments.		from each Lodge.	Payments.
5 Londo 6 Prince 7 Middle 9 Lion . 10 Alma . 13 Waterl 15 Star of 21 Royal e 23 Worces 24 Prince 25 Queen 27 Plantag 30 Maple 31 Halifax	ria Jubilee as Edward Esex loo England Crown ster Alfred of the West	1 2	75 40 24 36 14 19 51 30 1 11 11 7 24 26 22 9 7	15 8 4 7 2 3 10 6 2 3 4 5 4 1 1 2 8 5 5 5 5 2 8 5 7 8 7 8 7 8 7 8 7 8 8 7 8 7 8 8 7 8 7	00 00 80 20 80 80 20 20 20 40 80 40 80 40 80 20 40 80 20 40 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80	3	$ \begin{array}{ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	166 222 111 3 6 6 19 111 3 4 4 4 9 9 6 6 8 3 4 6 8 5 8 5	85 85	
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DEFUNCT LODGES.

As the time has expired when the Charters could be re-issued, I beg to submit a statement of the three Lodges whose Charters were returned during the year.

Eddystone Lodge Charter returned on the 25th day of September,
 Amount received from Lodge, \$21.23; paid for Sick Benefits,
 \$66.00; value of Stock on hand, \$12.75; balance Dr., \$51.02.

Receipts. To Cash Balance \$21 23	Expenditure. By payment of Sick Benefits,
" Balance Dr 51 02	" Bro. Evans
\$72_25	*72 25

Balance of Stock on hand, \$12.75.

2. Avondale Charter returned on the 25th day of August, Cash Credit of \$2.90; Stock value, \$37.50; Total, \$41.40. From this amount there is a claim of 10 weeks sick pay due Mrs. Wilkinson, who is now residing in England; also \$6.00 since paid to Commercial Lodge for half sick benefit to one of the clearance members. A claim for sick benefits from another member was disallowed.

Receipts. To members dues collected . \$65 95 "Sale of Flag 5 00	Expenditure. By Rent due Hall Co'y \$52-50 "Two Quarters Capt. Tax, March and June 8-80 "Printing circulars as
	per account
\$70 95	* 70 95

Value of Stock on hand \$37.50.

3. Chesterfield Charter returned on the 31st day of August, cash credit of \$39.64, and stock to the value of \$38.21. Total balance for the benefit of the members who were in good standing at the time of the dissolution of \$77.85.

Receipts.	Expenditure.					
To Amount collected from members \$39 64	By Insurance premium \$ 3 62 Balance Cr 36 02					
\$39 64	\$39 64					

Value of Stock on hand, \$38.21.

BADGES.

While there are quite a number of the present style of Members Badges on hand, the disaproval of the design and make up being so general, your Executive have deemed it expedient to prepare a new design, with the object of having uniformity throughout the Order, which certainly does not exist at present. Samples will be laid before you for approval, the present stock might be sold to the Juveniles at cost price.

EMBLEMS, PINS.

The Supreme Grand Lodge at its last session having adopted the St. George's white ensign as the flag of the Society, your Executive thought it desirable to procure a suitable Emblem in conformity therewith, after obtaining a proper design, it was thought necessary to register the same which was done at a cost of Five Dollars, so that no one can make or sell the Emblem only through your Executive. The Emblem is universally admired, and large numbers are being sold. The cost per dozen to the Lodge is only Three Dollars, single Pins 30c.

EXHIBITION TENT.

The number of visitors to the Exhibition Tent in Toronto, during the month of September was evidence of the wisdom of the Executive in agreeing to join the other fraternal organizations in forming what was called "Society Row." The Supreme President and the other Executive Officers received hundreds of our members and their friends from all parts of the Dominion, and Englishmen from many parts of the world, it was a great success and should meet with the approval of this Supreme Body.

ANGLO SAXON.

As the Supreme President is dealing fully with this matter, I do not deem it necessary to occupy your time on this subject.

INCORPORATION.

In view of the action taken against the Secretary of Tennyson Lodge (reported elsewhere), I beg to suggest that the question of our Supreme Grand Lodge being Incorporated in the various Provinces is one of very great importance, while Dominion Incorporation might enable us to do business throughout the Dominion, it would not relieve us from Provincial Laws, and I submit if we could Incorporate as suggested it would give us Legal Status in every province. To assist in this discussion I have obtained copies of the different provincial statutes, and desire to acknowledge the receipt of same from Manitoba through our esteemed Bro. Thomas Robinson, from New Brunswick, through

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A. D. Thomas, D.D., Revised Statutes of Canada through the Hon. Dr. Montague, and the Hon. Col. Prior, Revised Statutes of Ontario through Dr. E. Ryerson, M.L.A.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Death Roll contains among others the name of Bro. Peter Millington, another of our pioneer Past Supreme Officers, who in the early history of the Order stood out prominently as one of our most faithful and earnest workers. No sacrifice was too great for him to make, fearless in the discharge of his duties, loyal in his obligations, devoted to his work, an enthusiastic advocate of the Order, he never wavered in his fidelity to the principles of our Institution, he stood at the helm and directed the affairs of this Society at one of the most important periods of its existence. He was a relentless foe, but a staunch friend, liberal, but firm in his adherance to the primary objects of the Society. He was a conscientous member, a reliable guide, a true Son of England. His death has left a vacancy it will be difficult to fill. It is with a sad heart we record his death, and extend to his wife and family our deepest sympathy.

In conclusion I desire to express my appreciation of the sympathy extended to me and my office staff by the Supreme Officers, also the kindly forbearance of our subordinate lodge officers, and while it is difficult in the vast, and ever increasing business of our Order, to please everybody, the constant expressions of confidence and approval of our work, has always been an incentive to carry out our duties to the best of our abilities. The past Twenty-one years has been a marvelous success, a wonderful chapter of experiences, we are entering upon a new epoch, as full grown men we are starting upon a new race, let us keep abreast of the times, and the achievements of the past are nothing compared with the grand possibilities of the future, if we are only true to our trusts. Let our motto still continue to be, Love the Brotherhood, fear God, and honor the King.

Fraternally submitted,

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Supreme Grand Secretary.

IN MEMORIAM.

NAME.	Age.	Birth- place.	Date of Death	Cause of Death	Lodge.
H Cullings	1.4	D. aland	1895		
G. F. Mourie	25	England	Feb 27	Bilious fever	Albion.
I D Woodell	44	England	June 2	Consumption of lungs	Albion.
J. K. Worsdan	60	England	Sept 9	Consumption	Albion.
C. Whitehead	59	England	Oct 22	Cancer of liver Phthisis	Albion.
J. Lane	51	England	Dec 3	Phthisis	Albion.
J. Sinnett	OI	England	April 26.	Pneumonia.	Middlesey
T. Dean	10	England	May 1	Congestion of lungs Val disease of heart	Middlesex.
W. A. Parsons	20	England	June 2	Val disease of heart	Middlesex.
G. Pountain	29	England	Nov 4	Phthisis	Middlesex.
J. Harris	198	England	May 9	Heart disease	Kont
C. R. Bagley	24	England	May 24.	Cancer of stomach.	Kent.
W. V. Duittain	50	England	May 31.	Apoplexy	Kent.
W. Y. Brittain	32	England	June 26.	Consumption	Vords
J. Hawkell	54	England	Aug 29	Apoplexy	York.
W. Carlon	04	N Scotta	Dec 3	Apoplexy	Britannia.
W. Taylor	57	England	Sept 3	Typhoid fever Cancer of bowels Cerebral hemorrhage	Surrey.
S. Powell	01	England	Feb 6	Cancer of bowels	Warwick.
J. T. Pullen	50	England	March 21	Cerebral hemorrhage	Chester.
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W. P. Prowes	49	England	Nov 16	Tumor of face	Wellington.
R. Willis	60	England	April 24	Heart failure	R. of Couch'ing
T. Lush	43	England	May 8	Blood poisoning	Lansdowne.
M. J. CHITIS	291	Ontario	Anni 13	Phthicie	Lanadamma
r. Edwards	\mathbf{a}	England	Jan 23	Blood noisoning	Southameton
J. Jackson	39	Jersey I.	Aug 7	Consumption	Southampton.
w. Inrossell	31	England	Jan 25	Disease of the heart	Acorn
G. Russel	03	England	March 9	Broncho pneumonia	Derby.
A. Kothwell	38	England	May 3	Fall from bridge Pneumonia	London.
H. Marshall	11	England	Jan 27	Pneumonia	Leicester.
J. Witting	99	England	March 23	Apoplexy	Canterbury.
B. S. Peet	07	England	May 15.	Apoplexy	Windsor.
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W. Toms H. Edwards	42 51	Canada .	1895. Dec 7	Typhoid fever	Newcastle.
J. Hincheliffe	16	England.	duly 22	. Multiple abscess	Worcester.
H. Bradshaw	26	England	A 20	Theumonia	Primrose, P.Q.
T. Norbury	20	England	Non 0	D	Primrose, P.Q.
D. Clark	42	Canada .	March 21	Typhoid program	British Lion
C. E. Hooper J. Rea, M. D.	62	England	Feb 28	Disease of pancreas	Prince Albert. Preston.
J. Draper	49	England	May 23	Killed by a tree	Birmingham.
J. W. Salisbury	52	England	Tarles 0	Hemorrhage	Suffolk.
J. Corbett	34	England	April 17	nemorrnage	Denbigh, Man
W. J. Ashley	23	Ontonio	Fab 90	Consumption	WestwardHo, "
T. Cotton F. Harrison S. C. Hunking	30	England	March 18	Pulmonary consu'n'n	Gloucester, P.Q.
S. C. Hunking	46	England	May 26	Diabetes mellitus Lung complications.	Wolfe
T. Grant.	22 (26 (Canada .	Nov 8	Suicide by hanging	Darlington
J. Mitchell	2711	Ingland	M 00	Drowning	Guildford. Guildford
J. F. Best	28 (50 I	Canada	March 26 Jan 27	Typnoid fever	Macclesfield
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G. Thorpe	41	England	May 9	Typhoid fever Paralysis of brain	Commercial
C. Hodgson R. Chapman H. A. Lewis R. Morgan	50 47 37 38	England England England England England	Jan 21 Jan 9 Jan 12 Jan 12 Jan 7	Apoplexy Phlebites Acute pneumonia Sarcone Suppurative corzza Heart failure Erysipelas of face	Manchester. Primrose, P.Q. Rugby. Hamilton. Lichfield

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W. H. Hyde	18 England	Ang 17	Enteric fever	Lion
R. Rice	10 Canada.	June 15	Drowned	Prince Edward
W. Hetherington				Prince Edward
G. W. Hunt	17 Canada .	Jan 1	Phthisis	Vic Jubilee
T. Stansbury	13 Newf'd'd	Jan 3	Pericarditis	Vic. Jubilee.

Supreme Grand Treasurer's Report. 1895.

Peterborough, March 10th, 1896.

To the Supreme Grand President, Officers and Brethren of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the S.O.E.B.S.

Officers and Brethern,-I have the honor of submitting this my fifteenth Annual Report as Supreme Grand Treasurer, and of announcing the continued financial prosperity of our fraternal Order.

A comparison of the payments for funeral claims with those of last year, shows an increase of \$1,197.00 for the year just closed. The reduction of the Funeral Assessment, at last Grand Lodge, from one dollar to eighty cents per capita, caused a corresponding shringage in the receipts; but, notwithstanding the increased expenditure and the reduced assessment, I do not think the large balance of \$14,416.00 from last year will be materially diminished.

The calls upon the Beneficiary Department decreased during the year over \$5,600.00, and although there is an increase in the management department of nearly \$200.00, this Supreme Grand Lodge is to be congratulated upon the success this Department has hitherto attained. I hope during the coming year all brothers not insured will see the necessity and at once grasp the opportunity of uniting in the good work this Branch has accomplished.

The following statement shows the receipts and expenditures for the several departments for 1895:

Statement from January 1st to March 31st, 1895.

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Received copies of bank slips shewing cash paid into bank by Supreme Grand Secretary amounting to \$15,869.86.

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Statement from January 1st to March 31st, 1895.

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Statement from April 1st to December 31st, 1895.

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EXPENDITURE.

 By Death Claims..... \$18,878 90 "Ex. Management.. 1,270 83

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Received Copies of Bank Slips shewing Cash paid into Bank by Supreme Grand Secretary, amounting to \$21,225.72.

We have examined the Grand Lodge and Beneficiary Accounts, together with the orders for payment, also the Vouchers, and have checked the Bank Slips with the Bank Book, and do hereby certify the accounts to be correct.

GEO. CLAY, Supreme Grand WM. BARKER, Lodge Auditors.

TORONTO, March 2nd, 1896.

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To the Supreme Grand President, Officers and Delegates of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England Benefit Society.

Brethren, - We, your Supreme Grand Auditors, beg to report as follows:

- 1. After having carefully examined the books, vouchers and other securities in the possession of the Supreme Grand Secretary and Supreme Grand Treasurer, we have duly certified that the various statements are correct.
- 2. We desire to approve of the change of paying society accounts by cheque signed by the Supreme Grand President, Supreme Grand Treasurer and countersigned by the Supreme Grand Secretary.
- 3. We beg to report that the Supreme Grand Treasurer and Secretary are under bonds to the Society for \$1,000 each in the London Guarantee.
- 4. In consequence of the change in the Beneficiary Department to monthly payments it became necessary to provide special books; nearly 2,500 individual accounts had to be opened in the ledgers. Previously the amount sent in by each lodge was, after being checked, entered into the cash book in bulk; now each name and amount received is entered into the cash book and posted into the ledger monthly, thus entailing a great amount of continual extra worl in the Supreme Grand Secretary's office.
- 5. We find that a sum of \$5,000 has been placed to a special deposit account since the books were closed.
- 6. In conclusion we beg to say that every assistance has been rendered us by the Supreme Grand Secretary and his staff to enable us to make a satisfactory audit.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. CLAY, WM. BARKER, Supreme Grand Auditors.

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A communication was read from the Supreme Grand Chaplain, Bro. F. J. Barker, apologizing for absence from Supreme meeting on account of sickness. On motion the communication was received and filed.

The following communication was read from Britannia Lodge, Hamilton, urging that some action be taken re the Manitoba school question:

Hamilton, Ontario, March, 1896.

To the Supreme Grand President and Executive of the S. O. E. B. S:

Dear Sirs and Brothers,—At the last regular meeting of Britannia Lodge No. 8, S. O. E. B. S., a resolution was passed requesting me to write the Supreme Grand Executive re the Manitoba School Question. The resolution reads as follows: "That whereas some of the Protestant Societies have taken action in this matter, by passing resolutions at at their Grand Lodge meetings, that we as a lodge request our Executive to have issued "petitions for signature" by all members of the Order, also that a clergyman or minister of every Protestant Church be asked to bring such petitions before their flocks for their signature, said petitions to be presented to Parliament, asking that honorable body not to force this question upon the people of Manitoba, as we claim the majority should rule in all cases, and as Protestants we object to being dictated to by any religious sect or organization." Britannia Lodge awaits your action in this matter and request a reply as early as possible.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours Fraternally, JAMES FISHER, Worthy Secretary.

Moved by Bro. W. Smithson, seconded by Bro. Jones, "That the communication be received and filed."

Moved in amendment by Bro. E. Blundell, seconded by Bro. W. Hall, "That the communication be referred to a Special Committee to be appointed by the Supreme Grand President."

Amendment to the amendment moved by Bro. Dr. J. S. King, seconded by Bro. H. Harris, "That the subject be considered in open Grand Lodge to-morrow morning." On the vote being taken the amendment was declared carried.

The Supreme Grand President appointed the following brethren a Special Committee to report on the petition from Britannia Lodge re Remedial Bill—Bros. Dr. J. S. King, E. Blundell, Barlow Cumberland, T. Sargant, R. Ivens.

The following notices of motion were given by Bro. S. Hine for next year:

"That clause 4, page 64, be amended by adding the words or resuscitated after the word established in the ninth line from top of page."

"That after a brother has paid into the Beneficiary for five years, and who through unforeseen circumstances is not able to keep up both Lodge dues and Beneficiary, he may, by continuing his payments in the Beneficiary, be entitled to the benefits thereof for his nominee."

On motion the Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned at 5.30 p.m.

JOHN W. CARTER,

Supreme Grand Secretary.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

March 11th, 1896.

The delegates attending Supreme Grand Lodge met at the Court House at 9 a.m., and after a few timely remarks by the Supreme Grand President marched in proper order, under the guidance of the Marshall and headed by the band of Lansdowne Lodge, to St. John's Church for the purpose of attending Divine Service, Rev. Bro. H. Symonds officiating, assisted by Rev. Bros. Davidson and Bushell.

Supreme Grand Lodge came to order at the call of the Supreme Grand President.

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The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 2 on Credentials.

REPORT NO. 2 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your Committee beg to present report No. 2.

Your Committee have examined the following credentials and find that the Brethren named herein are qualified to seats in this Grand Body:

Oxford-R. C. Hulme. Britannia-Geo. Alderson. Oxford-Dr. R. Tracey. St. George-A. H. Young. Derby-W. R. Stroud.

Leicester-Arthur Savage, Thomas Lambert.

Queen Victoria—E. K. Barnsdale. Exeter-C. T. Burgess. Cornwall-W. H. Buscombe. Osborne-Geo. Heatley. Osborne-Jas. Hedges. Boston-H. A. Seaton.

Selby-E. Hawkins. Primrose-W. E. Blake.

That the number of delegates now reported by this Committee as entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge is 121.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. KING, Chairman.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

Minutes of previous session were read, and on motion adopted, and signed by the Supreme Grand President.

Rev. Bro. Symonds stated that the amount of the offertory at morning service amounted to \$20.13.

Bro. W. Smithson asked the following question: "I desire to know the ruling of the Supreme Grand Lodge as to whether a lodge surgeon can claim per cap. for a whole quarter, when only being employed one month of the quarter, having made no agreement with him as to any remuneration whatever." Question to be answered in the morning.

Bro. W. G. Skelcher enquires, "What is the Guarantee Fund for? For what purpose is it to be used, and has a lodge a legitimate claim on this fund in the case of a

treasurer being robbed and unable to make good the shortage? If so, should not the Supreme Grand Executive make good the amount, and then if thought desirable take steps to recover the amount?" Question to be answered in the morning.

Notice of motion by Bro. E. J. Reynolds, seconded by Bro. E. Ackroyd, that the Supreme Grand Lodge do create *Grand Presidents* in the Provinces of Manitoba, British Columbia, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, from among the pioneers of our Order in these provinces.

Notice of motion by Bro. E. Ackroyd, seconded by Bro. E. J. Reynolds, that this Supreme Grand Lodge do authorize the Supreme Grand Executive to instruct the Society's solicitor to prepare the necessary formula, whereby this Order shall get an Act of Incorporation from the Dominion Parliament, and that the following brethren be a committee to promote the interests of the desired legislation at Ottawa: Past Supreme Grand President W. R. Stroud, E. Ackroyd, E. J. Reynolds and F. Cook, with power to add to the number from the members of Parliament members of our Order.

Notice of motion by Bro. R. Patching, that a committee of three be appointed by this Supreme Grand Lodge to compile the Journal of Proceedings of this session for publication, and that it be an instruction to the Supreme Grand Secretary to give the committee access to all necessary documents for that purpose. Bros. Grundy, Partridge and the mover to form said committee.

The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 3.

Moved and seconded that it be received. Carried.

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Moved and seconded that it be adopted as read. After some discussion it was moved and seconded that Grand Lodge do now adjourn. Carried.

Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned accordingly at 12.10 noon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Supreme Grand Lodge resumed business at 2.15 p.m. Roll called by Secretary.

General Purpose Committee presented report No. 4 on Credentials.

REPORT NO. 4 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee have to report the following additional credentials approved:

Prince of Wales—Thos. J. Dench. Cambridge—W. R. Walters, M.D. Shrewsbury—Arthur Jones.

Making a total of 124 accredited members of this Grand body.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

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On motion the report was received and adopted.

Moved by W. R. Stroud, seconded by Bro. J. Jeoffrey, that report No. 3 of Committee of General Purposes be considered clause by clause. Carried.

REPORT NO. 3 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report that they have organized and elected Dr. J. S. King, chairman, and R. Patching, secretary.

Your committee have considered the report of the Supreme Grand President referred to them and recommend as follows:

That all the matter on page 1 be approved.

That clause 1, page 2, be approved.

That clauses 2 and 3, page 2, be approved.

That the balance of the clauses on page 2 be approved.

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That clauses 3, 4, 5, and 6 on page 3, and clauses 1 and 2 on page 4, be approved.

That clauses 3, 4, and 5 on page 4, be approved.

That clause 6, page 4, be approved. Your committee regretting that the necessity has arisen for any lodge to surrender its charter.

That clause 10, page 4, and all the clauses on page 5 be approved.

That clauses 1 and 2 on page 6, be approved and in connection therewith your committee would suggest that meetings of the Grand Executive be held monthly, upon a specified date in each month.

That clauses 3, 4, 5 and 6, under caption "Fraternal Association," be approved.

That clause 7, page 6, and clauses 1, 2 and 3, page 7, be approved.

That clauses 4, 5 and 6, page 7, under caption "Litigation," be approved.

That clause 7, page 7, under caption "Appeals and Disputes," be approved.

That clause 8, page 7, and clause 1, Guarantee Fund, page 8, be approved.

That clauses 2, 3 and 4, page 8, under caption "Medical Examinations," be approved.

That clauses 5 and 6, on page 8, and 1, 2, 3 and 4, on page 9, under caption "Organizer and Supervisor," be approved.

That clauses 5, 6, 7 and 8, page 9, under caption "South Africa Grand Lodge," be approved.

That clauses 9 and 10, page 9, and clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, page 10, be approved. And in connection therewith we further recommend that the Supreme Grand Secretary's salary be increased \$400 per annum, and that the salaries of his two lady assistants be increased \$50 per annum each, and that the incoming Grand Executive be instructed to make such provision for the protection of the Grand Lodge property and for the accommodation of the Grand Secretary's office staff as may be required.

Moved by Bro. Stroud, seconded by Bro. Riley, that all clauses on page 9 and 10 of the Supreme Grand President's report, under the caption of "Supreme Grand Secretary's office and staff," be referred back to General Purposes Committee for reconsideration Carried.

That with reference to clause 7, page 10, your committee is of the opinion that the Grand Secretary would not have time to do the work of an organizer and supervisor in addition to his present duties as Supreme Grand Secretary.

That clause 8, page 10, and clauses 1, 2 and 3, page 11, under caption "Juvenile Department," be approved.

That clauses 4, 5, 6 and 7, page 11, under caption "Hospital Board," be approved.

That clauses 8 and 9, page 11, and clause 1, page 12, under caption "Naval Brigade," be approved.

That all the rulings on page 12 be approved.

That the reply to Lodge Mistletoe, page 13, be amended by adding the words, "except in the case governed by clause 31, page 71, of the Society's Constitution," and that the reply as amended be approved.

That the reply to the second question of Lodge Newton be amended by adding the words, "except when provided for in clause 124, page 99, of the constitution, and that the reply as amended be approved.

That the ruling under caption "Cambria Lodge" and the first ruling under caption "Lodge Shakespeare," be approved.

That the second ruling under caption "Lodge Shakespeare" be amended by striking out the words, "except in criminal cases," and that the ruling as amended be approved.

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That the remaining rulings on page 13 be approved.

That the first rulings on page 14 be approved.

That the remaining rulings on page 14 be approved.

That all the rulings on page 15 be approved.

That all the rulings on page 16 and 17 be approved.

That all the rulings on page 18 except the last be approved.

That the ruling under caption "Pride of the Island," page 18, be amended by adding the words, "but a District Deputy may authorize a competent brother to install officers as per clause 1, article 8, page 26 of the Constitution, and that the ruling as amended be adopted.

That the ruling on page 19 be approved.

In connection with these rulings of the Supreme Grand President your committee recommend that in future the question be first submitted to the subordinate lodge, then if necessary to the District Deputy, and thus prevent so many trivial questions being brought before the Supreme Grand President, and further, that when the Constitution covers the case in dispute the clause or clauses and page be quoted.

That clause 1, page 19, under caption "Generality," be approved.

That with reference to the next clause your committee find on reference to page 16, clause 4, first paragraph of the Grand Secretary's report that \$5,000 has been deposited in the name of the Trustees, leaving a balance of over \$8,000 to current account. Your committee is of the opinion that a much larger amount should have been deposited in the name of the Trustees.

That clauses 4 and 5, page 19, be approved.

That the balance of the clauses on page 19 be approved.

That the last two clauses on page 20; and the clauses on page 21 be approved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. KING, Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

General Purpose Committee presented report No. 5.

REPORT NO. 5 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report that they have considered the report of the Supreme Grand Secretary referred to them and recommend as follows:

That all the matter on page 1 be approved.

That clauses 1, 2 and 3, on page 2, be approved.

That clause 4, page 2, be approved, and in connection therewith your committee desire to express their satisfaction at the improvement in the finances of the lodges under the new 16 weeks' clause of the Constitution.

That clause 5, page 3, be approved, and that some immediate steps be taken to ascertain what efforts Bro. Boswell has put forward to advance the interests of the Order in Australia and what the results of such efforts have been.

That clause 6, page 3, be approved.

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That the tables on pages 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15, be approved but that it be an instruction to the Supreme Grand Secretary to add in future tables a column showing the liabilities of the lodges in order that the manner in which the figures in the sixth column, under caption "Total Funds of Lodges" are arrived at.

That a column be also added to these tables showing the total amount expended by each lodge from the General Fund for working expenses.

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That clause 1, page 16, be approved.

That clauses 2 and 3, page 16, be approved.

That the second paragraph in clause 4, page 16, be approved.

That the tables on pages 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23, be approved.

That the financial statement, page 24, be approved.

That all the clauses on page 25 be approved.

That clauses 8 and 9, page 26, be approved, and that the attention of the delegates be specially directed to the last sentence in clause 8.

That the Financial Statement, page 27, be approved.

That all the paragraphs and tables on pages 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35 and 36, having been checked by the Grand Auditors be approved.

That the tables on pages 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42 and 43, be approved.

That clauses 1, 2 and 3, page 44, be approved.

That clause 4, page 45, be approved, your committee noting with satisfaction the remarkable decrease in the death rate of the last half of the year and the increased length of membership of deceased members in the department.

That clauses 5 and 6, page 45, be approved, together with clauses 7, 8, 9 and 10, on page 46, and in connection therewith your committee note with special gratification the satisfactory state of the Beneficiary Department, and desire to express the opinion that the fixed monthly payments are proving a great success, and although the Management Fund is greatly reduced from last year your committee believe the balance will prove sufficient to carry the department along for the present.

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That clause 13, page 47, be approved.

That the tables on pages 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54 and 55, be approved.

That the clauses referring to the Juvenile Department on pages 56, 57, 58, 59 and 60 be approved.

That the clauses on pages 61 be approved.

That the last two clauses on page 62 and all on pages 63, 64, 65 and 66, be approved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. KING, Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

The Committee of General Purposes presented Report No. 6.

REPORT NO. 6 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to present Report No. 6:

Your committee have considered the report of the Supreme Grand Treasurer referred to them and appended hereto, and recommend that the same be approved, having been duly audited by the Grand Lodge Auditors. Your committee note with pleasure the satisfactory nature of the said report.

Your committee have considered the report of the Supreme Grand Lodge Auditors, and are pleased to note the satisfactory character thereof. Your committee recommend that the report be approved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. KING, Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

The following telegram was received and read:

Montreal, March 11, 1896.

Cardigan Lodge, No. 206, send fraternal greetings to members at Grand Lodge meeting. Signed, J. SEDDEN.

A communication was received and read from the Grand Secretary of the Sons of Scotland Benevolent Association as follows:

Toronto, March 10, 1896.

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J. W. Carter, Esq., Supreme Secretary S. O. E., Peterborough, Ont.:

Dear Sir and Brother,—The Sons of Scotland Benevolent Association extends to the Sons of England Benevolent Society fraternal

I trust that your gathering will prove beneficial and that wise *legislation may be enacted. Fraternally yours,

D. M. ROBERTSON.

Moved and seconded that the telegram and letter be referred to Committee on Reply to Addresses. Carried.

It being 6 p.m. the Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned.

JOHN W. CARTER,

Supreme Grand Secretary.

THURSDAY MORNING.

March 12th, 1896.

The Supreme Grand President called Supreme Grand Lodge to order at 9.15 a.m.

Delegate roll called.

Minutes of previous meeting read, amended and approved.

Committee of General Purposes presented Report No. 7 on Credentials.

REPORT NO. 7 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee report the following credential approved:

Salisbury—Thomas Elliott.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

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The following telegrams were received:

To the Supreme Grand President Sons of England Benefit Society: Greetings,—

We trust your deliberations will result in good and future prospects of our order. Signed,

J. JONES.

President Middlesex Lodge, No. 2, S. O. E. B. S.

Whitby, Ont., March 11, 1896.

J. W. Carter, Supreme Grand Secretary Sons of England Benefit Society, Peterborough, Ontario:

On behalf of the Daughters and Maids of England Benevolent Society permit me to extend to the Supreme Grand Lodge Sons of England, now in session, hearty and fraternal greetings. Wishing your grand and noble order every prosperity.

Yours fraternally,

CHARLOTTE F. SMITH,

Grand President Daughters and Maids of Eng. Ben. Soc.

referred to Committee on Fraternal Greetings.

The Supreme Grand President gave answer as follows to the questions propounded yesterday:

By Bro. W Smithson, Lichfield Lodge.

Answer—Lodges must make their own arrangements with the Lodge surgeon as to amount of remuneration and method of computing the same. (See clauses 103 and 105, page 92.)

By Bro. W. G. Skelcher, Portsmouth Lodge.

Answer to 1st and 2nd—Article XXXV. Indemnifying Lodges against losses from default of Lodge officers.

Answer to 3rd—Executive should entertain claims only when loss is sustained as defined by clause as above quoted.

By A. C. Andrews, Macclesfield Lodge.

Question—A brother falls sick while on his probation and continues sick, the said brother being and keeping himself in good standing; what sick dues is he entitled to? Answer—The member would be entitled to \$1.50 per week sick pay for the first six weeks of his sickness, \$3.00 per week for the following seven weeks, and \$1.50 per week for the following twenty-six weeks should the brother continue sick so long. (Clause 113, page 95.)

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Question asked re giving the countersign in subordinate and Grand Lodge.

Answer—It is the custom to salute on addressing the chair in subordinate lodges and is so universally used as to become law, but it has not been the general custom in Grand Lodge.

Moved by F. N. Raines, seconded by Jos. Clatworthy, that the consent of this Supreme Grand Lodge be given to the incorporation of Lodge Darlington, No. 110, and that the Supreme Grand President and Supreme Grand Secretary be instructed to grant their certificate showing that such consent has been given, and also a certificate of the Incorporation of this Grand body as required by section 7 of chapter 172, R. S. O., 1887, upon application for incorporation of subordinate lodges. Carried.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF S. G. L. OFFICERS.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded with election of Supreme Grand Lodge officers, auditors, trustees and committees.

The Supreme Grand President appointed the following scrutineers: Bros. R. Ivens, R. C. Hulme and T. Sargant.

Bro. J. W. London, Lodge Oxford, Belleville, was elected Supreme Grand President by acclamation.

Nominations for Grand Vice-President—Bros. Dr. Hodgetts, J. J. Pritchard. F. N. Raines, John Jackson, B. Cumberland, E. Blundell, Hall, Bateman, Heatley. Bros.

Hall, Heatley, Blundell, Raines and Bateman resigned On the second ballot the scrutineers declared Bro. B. Cumberland had received the necessary majority and he was declared elected.

During the time occupied in the scrutiny of the ballots, the order of business was on motion, suspended to permit of proceeding with next order of business.

Bro. Reynolds' notice of motion re creating Grand Presidents in sister provinces was put and declared lost.

Bro. Reynolds then gave it as a notice of motion for next Grand Lodge.

Bro. Patching's notice of motion re appointment of committee to compile Journal of Proceedings for publication was also put to the Lodge and declared lost.

Order of business resumed—Election of S. G. L. officers.

Bro. J. W. Carter, Albion Lodge, Toronto, was elected Supreme Grand Secretary by acclamation.

Bro. B. Hincheliffe, Surrey Lodge, Toronto, was elected Supreme Grand Treasurer by acclamation.

Nominations for Supreme Grand Lodge Auditors—Bros. Geo. Clay, W. Barker, J. J. Pritchard and H. Furze.

On report of scrutineers Bros. Clay and Furze were declared elected.

Bro. T. N. Dyer of King Williams Town, South Africa, was unanimously elected D. D. G. President for South Africa.

On motion Grand Lodge adjourned at 12 a.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Supreme Grand Lodge resumed business at 2.15 p.m. Roll called by the Supreme Grand Secretary.

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Election of Committee of General Purposes then took place, Bros. Dr. Tracy, Dr. Awde and H. Furze being appointed scrutineers. The following brethren were nominated— Bros. Dr. J. S. King, R. Ivens, Thomas Sargant, R. C. Hulme, W. R. Stroud, Dr. Pollard, J. W. Kempling, A. Parnell, W. C. Blake, H. H. Wright, J. J. Pritchard, E. J. Reynolds, W. Hancock, Rev. H. Symonds, W. A. Partridge, Geo. Heatley, J. G. Bate, H. Aisthorpe, W. A. Moore, W. Hubbert, E. Blundell, A. H. Young, W. H. Boyce, J. C. Swait, T. R. Skippon, J. Aldridge, T. Elliott, S. W. Burns, Dr. Hodgetts, E. R. Blow, H. Furze, B. Cumberland, James Fry, S. Hine, R. Patching, T. Cannon, W. H. Clay, T. Riley, James Hedges, F. N. Raines, S. King, J. S. Thomas, R. S. Grundy, T. M. Hayton, F. Wootten, J. Jeffrey, W. King, W. Little, H. Harris, John Jackson.

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The following brethren were declared elected—Dr. J. S. King, R C. Hulme, W. R. Stroud, Rev. H. Symonds, R. Patching, Thos. Elliott, Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, R. Ivens, T. R. Skippon, F. N. Raines, T. Sargant, J. C. Swait, W. Hancock, J. W. Kempling, W. E. Blake, John Aldridge, S. W. Burns, E. J. Reynolds, S. Hine, W. H. Clay.

SUPREME GRAND LODGE TRUSTEES.

Bros. T. R. Skippon, J. C. Swait and Dr. John S. King re-elected.

NEXT PLACE OF MEETING.

St. Catherines, Toronto, Galt, Sarnia and Brantford were proposed as places suitable for holding next Grand Lodge meeting. Toronto, Galt and Sarnia withdrew their nominations, leaving St. Catherines and Brantford only to be chosen from. A ballot being taken, Brantford was declared to have received a majority of the votes cast and was declared the next place of meeting.

BENEFICIARY BOARD.

The following nominations were received for the Beneficiary Board—Bros. T. R. Skippon, R. Patching, Geo. Clatworthy, T. Cannon, sr., J. C. Swait, Wm. G. Partridge, Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, Dr. Walters, S. W. Burns, A. Riddiford, H. A. Seaton, C. H. Corton, Geo. Ford, W. Moss, C. J. Winstanley, E. Blundell, W. H. Clay, E. R. Blow, A. Jones, James Fisher, S. Hine, J. J. Pritchard.

The result of the ballot as declared by the scrutineers were—T. R. Skippon, Dr. C. A. Hodgetts, R. Patching, E. Blundell, T. Cannon, sr., J. C. Swait, Dr. Walters, A. Riddiford, H. A. Seaton, J. J. Pritchard, W. H. Clay, W. G. Partridge, S. W. Burns, C. H. Corton, Geo. Clatworthy.

Bro. Ackroyd's notice of motion of yesterday was then taken up. Motion—"That the Supreme Grand Lodge do authorize the Supreme Grand Executive to instruct the Society's Solicitor to prepare the necessary formula whereby this Order shall get an Act of Incorporation from the Dominion Parliament. And that the names of the following brethren be a committee to promote the interests of the desired legislation at Ottawa—Past Supreme Grand President W. R. Stroud, E. Ackroyd, E. J. Reynolds and F. Cook, with power to add to the number from members of Parliament who are members of our Order."

The motion was amended by adding the Executive Council as members of the committee and was carried as amended.

The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 8.

REPORT NO. 8 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report upon the remaining clauses of the Grand President's and Grand Secretary's reports that have not already been dealt with.

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Grand President's report, page 3, clauses 1 and 2, having reference to District Lodges, your committee do not desire to express an opinion upon these clauses as the matter will be dealt with in the Sessional Papers.

Page 4, clauses 7, 8 and 9, under caption "Printing and Supplies." Your committee recommend that these clauses be approved.

Page 20, clause 1, beginning "A business firm in the United States"—Your committee strongly approve of the sentiment expressed in this clause and are somewhat surprised that lodges in this Order would entertain the idea of purchasing badges from a foreign firm when they are manufactured by members of our Society. In order to preserve uniformity, it is essentially necessary that an authorized badge should be decided upon.

Your committee recommend that the next clause (page 20, clause 2,) be approved.

With reference to clause 3, page 20, your committee recommend that the action of the Supreme Grand President be approved, but are of the opinion that this Supreme Grand Body cannot consider the advisability of empowering the Supreme Grand Lodge Executive to exercise their discretion in granting permission to subordinate lodges to hold semi-annual elections of officers, as such action would be unconstitutional.

Supreme Grand Secretary's report, page 26, clause 7—Your committee recommend that the clause be approved, and that the Supreme Grand Executive be instructed to pay the claims of Yorkshire Lodge out of the Guarantee Fund.

Page 46, clause 11—Your committee recommend that the incoming Beneficiary Board be instructed to settle this matter.

Page 62, clause 1, under caption "Badges"—Your committee recommend that the Supreme Grand Secretary's suggestion be approved in so far as it relates to the necessity of adopting a uniform design, but deem it inexpedient to adopt a new one, and therefore recommend the adoption of the original ribbon badge. After examining samples submitted to the Grand Executive, your committee would recommend the adoption of sample and design marked No. 1, with modifications specified below. This is practically an improvement on the old badge worn by this society for years, possessing the additional advantage of being reversible; that is, it can be used both for lodge and funeral purposes. Your committee therefore recommend that this badge, with

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the addition of woven white ensigns crossed and a deep red rose on the bar, and with the tassels taken off, be declared the official badge, and that the maximum cost of the same to members be fifty (50) cents each badge; and they further recommend that the same be registered as the official badge of the Order, so as to avoid these constant changes, which are a source of expense and much irritation to the members.

Page 57, clause 5—With reference to the regalia and badges for Juveniles, your committee recommend the adoption of the collar, sample of which is submitted with this report and marked No. 2, and that the maximum price of the same to members be forty (40) cents each.

Page 62, clauses 2 and 3—Your committee recommend that these clauses be approved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report (excepting clause re Juveniles Regalia and Badges referred back for reconsideration) be adopted. Carried.

The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 9 on Appeals and Grievances.

Moved and seconded that the report be received and considered clause by clause. Carried.

REPORT NO. 9 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Having considered the appeal of Osborne Lodge for a funeral payment in the case of the late Bro. Charles Peel of that lodge, your committee have to report that they are satisfied that there exists no legal claim, but nevertheless would recommend to Supreme Grand. Lodge that, owing to the fact that he was without relatives and that a Brother (George Heatley) assumed the responsibility of the funeral expenses in the belief that he would be recouped from the funeral fund, to which he believed deceased was entitled, the Supreme Executive be authorized by Supreme Grand Lodge to pay the sum of fifty dollars (\$50) as a donation from the funeral fund toward the funeral expenses, and that this action be not established as a precedent for future guidance.

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In the case of the appeal of Cheltenham Lodge, No. 178, against the decision of the Supreme Grand Executive in refusing to order the payment of an account of \$9.00 to Dr. A. E. Awde by Britannia Lodge No. 8, Hamilton, for services rendered by the doctor to Bro. George Alderson of Britannia Lodge, your committee, owing to no evidence of any contract between Britannia and Cheltenham lodges to pay for such services having been placed before your committee, and the constitution not covering such a case, are unable to report in favor of the appeal.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

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Moved by Bro. H. Furze, seconded by Bro. W. C. Blake that the appeal of Cheltenham Lodge be referred to the Supreme Executive with instructions that if the authority of Britannia Lodge was given under the seal of the Lodge, Britannia Lodge is legally liable to pay the account. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the report as amended be adopted. Carried.

On motion the Sessional Papers were referred to the the Committee of General Purposes.

The Committee on Fraternal Greetings and Addresses of Welcome presented their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL GREETINGS AND ADDRESSES OF WELCOME.

Your committee, to whom was referred the letters from the Grand Camp Sons of Scotland, and the telegrams from Middlesex Lodge,

Toronto, Cardigan Lodge, No. 206, Montreal, and the Grand President Daughters and Maids of England Benevolent Society, beg to report:

That we have sent a telegram to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Camp, Sons of Scotland, acknowledging the kind and fraternal greetings.

And recommend that the Supreme Secretary write acknowledging the receipt of the telegrams from the several bodies.

In reference to the addresses from the Mayor and Council of the Town of Peterborough, and Worthy President and officers of Lansdowne Lodge, S. O. E. B. S., we have prepared suitable replies, which we now submit, and recommend that the Supreme Grand Secretary have these replies properly prepared and sent to the several bodies with the seal of the Supreme Grand Lodge attached.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

RICHARD IVENS, Chairman. T. SARGANT, F. N. RAINES.

To the Mayor and Council of the Town of Peterborough:

Gentlemen,—We thank you for the kindly welcome which your body has been pleased to bestow upon our Society.

We are glad to know that you recognize the benefits and appreciate and applaud the aims and objects and benevolent accomplishments of our Order.

We are not unmindful of the prestige and benefit to our society of the expression of your good-will and approbation, and of your knowledge of and satisfaction with the good and benevolent work in which we are engaged.

We would remind you that one of the cardinal principles of our Order is to respect and uphold all British legislative and administrative institutions and bodies, and we inculcate into our members the necessity for prompt obedience to such authorities.

We do not forget to recall the long struggle of our forefathers to secure responsible and self-government, and that one of the results of it is seen in the wise and efficient self-government of such an enterprising and flourishing town as Peterborough by such a municipal body as yours.

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We also inform you that our Society is a vast training school for the grasping of the details of procedure necessary for the efficiency and equipment of a self-governing people such as the British race.

We again thank you for your most kindly welcome, and trust that you will have no occasion to regret our brief sojourn in your delightful town, which we will always recall with the most pleasant recollections.

Signed on behalf of Supreme Grand Lodge.

J. W. LONDON,

JOHN W. CARTER,

Supreme Grand President.

Supreme Grand Secretary.

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To the President, Officers and Members of Lansdowne Lodge:

This Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England Benefit Society desire to express their appreciation of the most kindly and cordial welcome extended to us by Lansdowne Lodge of this Town of Peterborough.

We know that the welcome has been a most generous and wholehearted one, and that great efforts have been put forth by the lodge for our entertainment and enjoyment; and we are pleased to say that those efforts have been exceedingly successful, and most useful and enjoyable as well as instructive entertainments have been furnished to our members by your lodge.

We cannot but record our entire concurrence in your introduction of a new feature into the procedure of these annual gatherings, that of attendance at Divine service; and we feel that it has been productive of very much good to our society.

We shall carry away with us the most pleasant recollections of the enjoyable visit of our Supreme Grand Lodge to the enterprising Town of Peterborough, and we shall not forget how much Lansdowne Lodge has added to that enjoyment.

We wish for your lodge the greatest prosperity, and trust that all the members of it may at all times be fully imbued with the true principles of patriotism and charity, which are two of the mutual bonds of our society; and we trust that before many years we may again be called upon to partake of your hospitality and kindly brotherly welcome.

Signed on behalf of Supreme Grand Lodge.

J. W. LONDON,

JOHN W. CARTER,

Supreme Grand President.

Supreme Grand Secretary.

Moved and seconded that the report be received and adopted. Carried.

The committee to whom was referred the memorial from Britannia Lodge brought in report.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL FROM BRITANNIA LODGE.

The Committee to whom was referred the memorial from Britannia Lodge, S. O. E. B. S., beg to report:

That in our opinion the suggestions and requisition contained in said memorial are impracticable.

RICHARD IVENS, Chairman. T. SARGANT, BARLOW CUMBERLAND, E. BLUNDALL.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

NOTICE OF MOTIONS.

Moved by Bro. H. Furze, "That this Supreme Grand Lodge empower the Executive to expend the sum of \$1,000 during the years 1896-7, for the purpose of organizing new lodges in the Dominion of Canada."

Moved by Bro. W. G. Skelcher "That Sunday the 24th of May be the day set apart for our United Church parade."

Moved by Bro. C. E. Gibbons, "That the Constitution remain as it now is for at least two years without amendments."

Moved by Bro. J. P. Brownridge, "That all amendments to the constitution of this session of Grand Lodge be supplied to all members by Supreme Grand Lodge free of charge, suitable for their use."

Moved by Bro. Geo. Alderson, "That Supreme Grand Lodge of 1897 consider the desirability of adopting the Initiative and Referendum for this Society."

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Moved by Bro. J. P. Hartley, "Can a juvenile lodge decide to raise a contingent fund without making application to Grand Lodge, if so, will resolution have to be passed by juvenile members or can the managing committee composed of senior lodge members enforce it?"

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Moved by Bro. E. J. Reynolds, "That in future a stenographer (a member of our order) be employed as assistant secretary during the sitting of Supreme Grand Lodge."

Moved by Bro. J. J. Pritchard, "That in the opinion of this Supreme Grand Body it is inexpedient to amend the Constitution of our Society at this present session, sufficient time to enable us properly to judge of its merits and defects not having passed since its adoption."

Moved by Bro. W. King, "That a copy of the expression of sympathy contained in the report of the Supreme Grand President and Secretary re our late Bro. Millington be forwarded to the widow and family, under the seal of Supreme Grand Lodge."

Moved by Bro. T. R. Skippon, "That the Supreme Auditors be paid the sum of \$75 each for services for the past year."

Moved by Bro. T. Sargant, "That the thanks of this Supreme Grand Body be tendered to the Executive Officers of the Canadian Fraternal Association for the valuable assistance they have rendered the Supreme Grand Lodge during the past year in the litigation, and that the Supreme Lodge continue their connection with the said Fraternal Association. And the Supreme Executive be authorized to pay the fee to said association, and the following brethren be representatives, P. G. Pres. Bro. G. Clatworthy, P. G. Pres. Bro. J. C. Swait, and the Supreme Grand Secretary.

Moved by Bro. E. J. Reynolds, "That we will furnish every member of the Sons of England Benefit Society with a copy

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monthly, at a rate per annum per member of 25 cents each, said paper to contain not less than eight pages, size of present copy of the Anglo-Saxon, monthly. Two-thirds of the specified pages to be devoted to reading matter. Revenue from advertising to go to the publishers of the paper. It being a stipulation that all official information from the Supreme Executive, and all other matter that they may wish to have published in the interests of the Society, shall be published free of charge to the Order. The Supreme Grand Lodge shall be responsible for the payments of said monthly issue which payments shall be made monthly, and a levy of the cost per member be made quarterly on the subordinate lodges, according to the number of members in good standing in each lodge. Said paper to be mailed direct from office of publication to each member from lists to be furnished by the secretary of each subordinate lodge, on or before the 15th of each month. The above proposition to include the mail list, which shall be put in type and corrected from bona fide names on the register of every subordinate lodge, which should be revised by lodge secretary at least once quarterly. The list should go through the Supreme Grand Secretary, when all additions, and erasures should be noted.

It being six o'clock Supreme Grand lodge adjourned till 9 a.m. Friday morning.

J. W. CARTER,

Supreme Grand Secretary.

FRIDAY MORNING.

March 13th, 1896.

The Supreme Grand Lodge was called to order at 9.15 a.m. and the Delegates roll was called by the Supreme Grand Secretary.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Moved by Bro. T. Elliott, seconded by Bro. Riley, "That all the notices of motion read this morning which were not read from the chair be expunged from the minutes of yesterday's proceedings." Carried. The minutes as amended were adopted.

Question by Bro. W. King—A treasurer of a lodge after being duly elected finds that he is unable to attend to the duties devolving upon him and being anxious to retain the office, elects the Vice-President (who is the ex-treasurer) as his deputy to receive the money and perform his duties generally, furnishing him with power of attorney. Is this permissible? The Supreme Grand President answered—No.

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Question by Bro. J. P. Hartley—Can a juvenile lodge decide to raise a contingent fund without making application to Supreme Grand Lodge. Answer—Yes.

Question—If so will resolution have to be passed by juvenile members, or can the management committee composed of seven lodge members enforce it?

Supreme Grand President answered—Pass resolution by junior lodge with assent from Advisory Board.

Question by Bro. W. C. Blake—Can a brother be refused admittance to his lodge room who is 16 weeks in arrears, unless he is coming to pay up his arrears. Answer—Yes.

Enquiry by Bro. R. Ivens,—Upon whose authority has the seal, or device, on the Official Executive letter paper, been placed there, in the face of the action of Supreme Grand Lodge at Woodstock, and recorded on page 128 of the Journal?

The Supreme Grand President replied as follows—I adopted this device as the heading to my letter paper not supposing that Supreme Grand Lodge would allow or wish

me to use the S. G. L. Seal. The Seal has not been altered and Supreme Grand Lodge decision has been faithfully carried out.

The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. $10\ re$ Official Organ.

REPORT NO. 10 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report that they have carefully considered the tenders for the printing of an official organ.

Ten tenders were received. We recommend that the tender of the Guelph Herald, viz., \$125.00 per month for 10,000 copies and \$1.25 per 100 for extra copies (including mailing), being the lowest, is entitled to our consideration.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Bro. Dr. Awde, seconded by Bro. Riley, "That the report of Committee of General Purposes on the Official Organ be laid over till after the report on the Sessional Papers be received and considered." Amendment carried.

The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 11 on Sessional Papers.

REPORT NO. 11 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee have considered the matter of the sessional papers referred to them, and beg to suggest that owing to the short time the present constitution has been in force, and the small demand made by the subordinate lodges for any alterations, and in view of the fact that a large percentage of the proposed alterations are merely clerical errors, which can easily be remedied when next constitutions are in preparation, would unanimously recommend to this Supreme Grand Body that no alterations to the Constitution be made this year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carrie 1.

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The vote being challenged, the year and nays were demanded.

Yeas.

W. Hall, T. R. Skippon, F. B. Cumberland, E. R. Blow, J. W. Bateman, H. Aisthorpe, C. A. Hodgetts, A. Savage, T. Lambert, W. J. Oke, C. Weeks, T. P. Worth, R. C. Hulme, J. Boxall, J. Welland, A. H. Young, J. Aldridge, F. Wootten, J. P. Brownridge, C. E. Gibbons, W. T. Guy, J. C. Swait, R. Ivens, R. Patching, C. J. Burgis, H. A. Seaton, A. Laxton, A. Jones, S. Knight, A. E. Awde, John Newton, H. Perks, M. Sanders, A. F. Wicks, N. E. Grills, John Jackson, H. Hooper, A. Sidders, John Jeffery, Rev. H. Symonds, T. Sargant, B. L. Selby, C. Mould, H. Wakeland, J. J. Pritchard, W. H. Boyce, S. J. Weddin, J. Fry, J. W. London, W. Hancock, J. W. Carter.—Yeas, 51.

Nays.

B. Jones. W. G. Partridge, E. Ackroyd, W. R. Stroud, S. Hine, L. G. Cross, H. G. Wynes, J. P. Hartley, R. W. Nicklinson, J. H. Bennett, W. G. Skelcher, E. Blundall, W. C. Blake, R. Madge, J. Nutkins, W. H. Clay, E. J. Reynolds, H. Harris, H. H. Wright, W. Sweet, Thomas Riley, C. H. Beavis, R. S. Grundy, G. Alderson, T. Cannon, sr., T. H. Johnstone, W. George, W. H. Lane, James Leach, Thomas Garnett, F. R. Dunham, W. S. Bragg, J. L. Jenkins, George Carpenter, E. A. Peck, W. P. Hulbert, S. Hull, W. A. Moore, John Marlow, George Heatley, F. Lane, G. C. Thompson, R. Gammon, W. King, W. Little, J. G. Bate, S. King, E. J. Otter, Thomas Guest, E. V. Smith, J. S. Thomas, James Hedges, W. Smithson, J. W. Kempling, S. W. Burns, J. B. Jackson, B. Hincheliffe.—Nays, 57.

The motion was declared lost.

The Committee of General Purposes presented report No. 12 re Sessional Papers.

Moved that it be received. Carried.

Moved and seconded that it be considered clause by clause. Carried.

Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned at 12 a.m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

Supreme Grand Lodge called to order at 2 p.m. and the roll called $\,$

Bro. R. C. Hulme gave the following notice of motion for next Supreme Grand Lodge: "That I will move at the next meeting of the Supreme Grand Lodge the following resolution—'That no amendment or suspension, neither shall any clause be annulled, in the Constitution of the Sons of England Benefit Society, for the space of three years from the passing of this resolution, except the same shall be approved of by the Supreme Grand Executive and recommended by them in the Sessional Papers.'"

Report No. 12 of the Committee of General Purposes was then taken up and discussed.

REPORT NO. 12 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report that they have considered the Sessional Papers referred to them and recommend as follows:

That clause 1 be approved.

That clause 2 be approved.

That clause 3 be not approved.

That clause 4 be approved.

That clause 5 be not approved.

That clause 6 be approved.

That clause 7 be not approved.

That clause 8 be not approved.

That clause 9 be not approved.

That clause 10 be not approved.

That clause 11 be not approved.

That clause 12 be not approved.

That clauses 13, 14 and 15 be approved.

That with reference to clauses 16 and 113 and paragraphs 1 and 2 on page 3 of the Grand President's Report, all of which have to do with the matter of the proposed district lodges, councils or meetings, your committee recommend: 1st. In favor of the formation of

District Councils, to be presided over by the District Deputies of the respective districts, the object of such District Council being to discuss matters for the general benefit and advantage of the lodges in such district. 2nd. In favor of such formation being made permissible in any district, and not compulsory, and in making it also optional with lodges to join a council when formed. 3rd. In favor of such council being conducted under the charter or dispensation of one of the subordinate lodges of the district. 4th. Upon the application of at least two-thirds of the lodges in the district petitioning the District Deputy, under the seal of their respective lodges, for the formation of a District Council, the District Deputy shall convene a meeting of the executive officers and past presidents of all lodges in the district for the purpose of carrying the same into effect. 5th. Meetings to be held quarterly if practicable, or oftener if desired, at which meetings not less than seven shall be a quorum. 6th. Such District Councils to be supported by such contributions from the contingent funds of the various lodges in the district, or by any other means that the council may agree upon other than from the General Funds of the lodges. 7th. That lodges shall have power to draft by-laws for their government, which shall come into force upon the sanction of the Supreme

That clauses 17 to 29 inclusive be not approved.

That clauses 30 and 31 be approved.

That clause 32 be not approved.

That clause 33 be approved.

That clause 34 be approved by conforming clause 18, page 67, of the Constitution, and striking out the words after the word "force" on the second line of section 1, article 37, page 53, and substituting the words "at the expiration of two months from the date of their enactment by Supreme Grand Lodge."

That clauses 35 and 36 be not approved.

That clause 37 be approved.

That clause 38 be not approved.

That clause 39 be approved to the first comma on second line, but that the balance be struck out.

That clause 40 be not approved.

That clauses 41 and 42 be approved, with the proviso that the reinstated member returns to his own lodge.

That clauses 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, be not approved.

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That clauses 54, 55 and 56 be approved.

That clause 57 be amended to read, "He shall prepare and present to his lodge annually a statement showing the financial standing of each member in his lodge and beneficiary department."

That clauses 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68 and 69 be not approved.

That clause 70 be approved.

That clauses 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77 and 78 be not approved.

That clause 79 be approved.

That clause 80 be not approved.

That clause 81 be approved.

That clauses 82, 83 and 84 be not approved.

That clauses 85, 86, 87 and 88 be approved.

That clause 89 be approved with the change of "five" to "ten" in the third line from the bottom of clause 34, page 130.

That clauses 90, 91, 92, 93 and 94 be approved.

That clause 95 be amended by striking out the words "at once" in the fourth line and substituting the words "every three months," and that the clause as amended be approved.

That clause 96 be approved with the change of the word "three" to "one" in the second line.

That clause 97 be approved.

That clauses 98 and 99 be not approved.

That clause 100 be approved.

That clauses 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109 and 110 be not approved.

That clause 111 be approved.

That clauses 112, 116 and 117 be not approved.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report as amended be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Bro. T. Sargant, seconded by Bro. W. R. Stroud: "That when this Supreme Grand Lodge adjourns it stands adjourned till 8 p.m., suspending all motions to the contrary." Carried.

The Committee of General Purposes presented Report No. 13.

REPORT NO. 13 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report that they have re-considered the clauses in their Report No. 5 re Supreme Grand Secretary's office and salary, which were referred back to them, and now recommend as follows:

That the Supreme Grand Executive secure suitable and sufficient accommodation for the Supreme Grand Secretary's office staff and work, and that the rental expenses for the same do not exceed \$500 per annum.

That the Supreme Grand Secretary's salary for the ensuing year be \$1,200.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWA1T, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

The Committee of General Purposes presented Report No. 14 re South Africa.

REPORT NO. 14 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to report that they have considered the correspondence placed in their hands in reference to the Grand Lodge in South Africa, and believing the matters contained therein of too great importance to be hurriedly disposed of, recommend that a committee of three Past Supreme Grand Presidents be appointed by this Supreme Grand Lodge to act with the Supreme Grand Executive in dealing with the whole subject, and that Bros. Ivens, Swait and Skippon be the said committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

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Carried.

The Supreme Grand Secretary read the following communication:

It is the intention of the Barrie Fire Brigade to hold a demonstration in the town on the First of July, and we wish to extend an invitation to such lodges as can make it convenient to visit us on that date. We intend to put up about \$500 in prizes, and if the Hamilton and Toronto lodges arrange their annual excursion to run to Barrie only on that date we would put \$100 in prizes for Sons of England members only.

We can guarantee a good day of sports and amusements; and Barrie is one of the prettiest towns in Canada, within easy distance of Toronto or Hamilton. Would be pleased if you give this your consideration.

BRO. HUBBERT, P. P. WALTER SCOTT, Secretary.

Moved and seconded that the communication be received and placed on fyle. Carried.

The Committee of General Purposes presented Report No. 15.

REPORT NO. 15 OF THE COMMITTEE OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

Your committee beg to submit to this Supreme Grand Lodge their unanimous recommendation that the Secretary of the Committee of General Purposes be paid \$25.00 for his services during the present session.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. SWAIT, Acting Chairman.

Moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

It being 6 o'clock Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned to meet again at 8 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

Supreme Grand Lodge resumed business at 8 p.m. Roll call dispensed with till end of session.

Report No. 10 of Committee of General Purposes was taken from the table for the purpose of discussing the Official Organ.

Moved by Bro. Dr. Hodgetts, seconded by Bro. Dr. Awde: "That the Executive be authorized to publish a monthly four-page leaflet containing statements of the Beneficiary Department, and such other facts and statistics regarding the Order as are desirable and necessary for the information of the membership, and that such leaflet be issued to all the members of the Society. Lost.

Moved by Bro. T. R. Skippon, seconded by Bro. Wm. Hall: "That in view of the depressed times in our lodges we do not think this an opportune time to get up an Official Organ for our Society, and think it advisable to defer any action in the matter until next Supreme Grand Lodge meeting." Carried.

Moved by Bro. R. Ivens, seconded by Bro. J. C. Swait: "That in future the official emblem, as approved by the Supreme Grand Lodge of last year, be used on all official communications emanating from the Supreme Grand Executive." Carried.

RE AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION.

Moved by Bro. Thomas Riley, seconded by Bro. Bevis: "That all the amendments that have been approved by this Supreme Grand Lodge be printed and appended to copies of the Constitution now in stock in the Supreme Grand Secretary's office, and also that copies of the same amendments be sent to all the lodges. Carried.

Moved by Bro. W. C. Blake, seconded by Bro. J. P. Hartley: "That a duly qualified brother be appointed Supreme Grand Lodge Solicitor for the Province of Quebec, to whom all legal matters affecting that Province be submitted, and that the name of Bro. Jas. Crankshaw, B. C. L., be recommended for that position." Carried.

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Mo Sargant taker of Moved by Bro. Dr. Awde, seconded by Bro. S. W. Burns: "That the Committee on Fraternal Greetings be instructed to forward a message of fraternal greeting to the Grand Orange Lodge of Manitoba, now in session at Winnipeg." Carried.

CHURCH PARADE.

Moved by Bro. William George, seconded by Bro. W. G. Skelcher: "That Sunday, the 24th of May, be the day set apart for our Annual Church Parade." Carried.

Moved by Bro. T. R. Skippon, seconded by Bro. J. Aldridge: "That the Supreme Grand Lodge Auditors be paid the sum of \$75.00 each for their services for 1895." Carried.

Moved by Bro. T. Sargant, seconded by Bro. R. Ivens: "That the thanks of the Supreme Grand Lodge be sent to the Council for the use of this Court House." Carried.

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE.

Moved by Bro. T. R. Skippon, seconded by Bro. R. Ivens: "That a letter of condolence be forwarded to the widow and family of our late Past Supreme Grand President, Bro. Peter Millington." Carried.

Moved by Bro. T. R. Skippon, seconded by Bro. J. C. Swait: "That a Past Supreme Grand President's jewel be made, after the style of the last and at the same cost, and be presented to our retiring Supreme Grand President." Carried.

Moved by Bro. J. Aldridge, seconded by Bro. T. Riley: "That an amount necessary to defray the expenses of this Supreme Grand Lodge be granted." Carried.

Moved by Bro. J. C. Swait, seconded by Bro. T. Sargant: "That the sum of \$5.00 be given to the caretaker of the rooms for his services." Carried.

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Moved by Bro. Dr. Hodgetts, seconded by Bro. B. Cumberland: "That the thanks of Supreme Grand Lodge be tendered the brethren of Lodge Lansdowne for the very cordial and hearty manner in which they have entertained the members at its present session." Carried.

Moved by Bro. Dr. Hodgetts, seconded by Bro. W. R. Stroud: "That the amendments to the Constitution, made at this session of Supreme Grand Lodge, be referred to the Supreme Solicitor for proper arrangement." Carried.

CANADIAN FRATERNAL ASSOCIATION.

Moved by Bro. Thomas Sargant, seconded by Bro. Thomas R. Skippon: "That the thanks of this Supreme Grand Body be tendered to the Executive Officers of the Canadian Fraternal Association for the valuable assistance they have rendered the Supreme Grand Lodge during the past year in the litigation, and that the Supreme Grand Lodge continue their connection with the said Fraternal Association, and the Supreme Executive be authorized to pay the fee to said association, and the following brethren be representatives—Past Supreme Grand President Bro. George Clatworthy, Past Supreme Grand President Bro. J. C. Swait, and the Supreme Grand Secretary." Carried.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

There being no further business to be brought before Supreme Grand Lodge the immediate Past Supreme Grand President, Bro. W. Hancock, formally installed the Supreme Grand Officers elect for the ensuing term.

Votes of thanks were accorded to Past Supreme Grand President Bro. G. Clatworthy, Past Supreme Grand President Bro. W. Hancock, Acting Grand Chaplain Rev. Hy. Symonds, Supreme Grand President J. W. London, Supreme Grand Vice-President B. Cumberland, Supreme Grand Secretary J. W. Carter, Supreme Grand Treasurer B. Hincheliffe.

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The votes were accorded standing and accompanied with three good old English cheers

The Grand Officers made suitable replies to the very enthusiastic vote of thanks tendered them.

A vote of thanks was also tendered to Bro. Dr. J. S. King, Chairman of Committee of General Purposes; Bro. R. Patching, Secretary of Committee of General Purposes; Bro. Dr. Hodgetts, Grand Guide; Bro. J. W. Kempling, Assistant Secretary Supreme Grand Lodge.

The Supreme Grand Secretary then called the Roll in conformity with the Constitution.

The Minutes of the Twenty-first Annual Session of the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England Benefit Society were then duly read and adopted, and at 1 a.m. on the morning of Saturday, the 14th of March, 1896, Supreme Grand President Bro. J. W. London declared the Twenty-first Session duly closed, and the Supreme Grand Lodge adjourned to meet again in the City of Brantford, Ont., on the second Tuesday in March, 1897, at 2 p.m., except in case of emergency, of which, however, constitutional notice would be given. The members of Supreme Grand Lodge then joined in singing the National Anthem.

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REPORT OF

Joint Committee re South Africa,

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Closing of Supreme Lodge Meeting.

The Committee appointed by the Supreme Grand Lodge to confer with the Executive in re application of the Grand Lodge of South Africa for power to make certain changes in their Constitution affecting the qualification of candidates for admission to membership, met the Executive, examined the reports and correspondence from the S. D. D. Grand President, Bro. T. N. Dyer, and the Grand Secretary, and after a full consideration of the matter, passed the following resolution:

"That the Constitution of the Sons of England Benefit Society provides for the bringing together of Englishmen and their descendants for their mutual benefit, and for the maintenance of British connection, the Supreme Grand Executive, in conjunction with Special Committee, understand that the Society in South Africa, considering the requirements of their Colony, desire to extend their Constitution so as to admit a membership not authorized by the Constitution of this the Parent Order in Canada. Be it resolved, 'that the Supreme Grand Lodge of the Sons of England in Canada regret that they cannot change its Constitution to meet the alterations asked for.'"

THOS. R. SKIPPON, P. S. G. P., R. IVENS, P. S. G. P., J. C. SWAIT, P. S. G. P.

Signed on behalf the Supreme Grand Lodge.

J. W. LONDON, Supreme Grand President,

J. W. CARTER, Supreme Grand Secretary.

LODGE DIRECTORY.

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