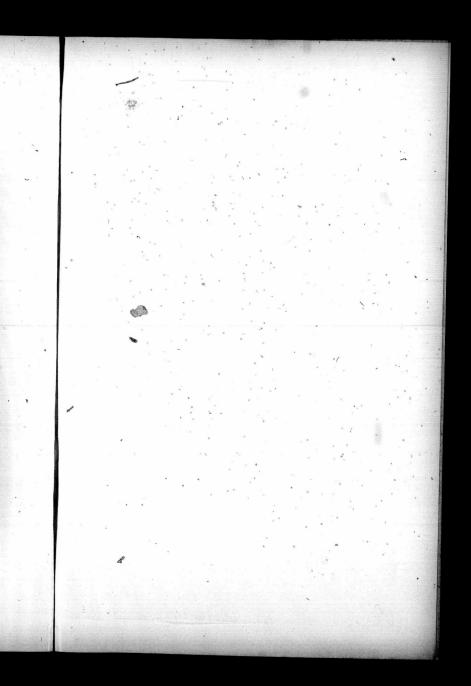


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YEAR ENDING AUGUST, 1899

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Reception

The formal reception of the Grand Lodge by the Civic Authorities took place at Dickson Park at 2 o'clock p.m, when His Worship Mayor Radford, on behalf of the municipality of Galt, presented the following address:—

Grand Master, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of Ontario:

Gentlemen,—It is with pleasure that I, on behalf of the citizens of the town of Galt bid you welcome. The knowledge that I have—being a member of your noble Order—of the good work which has been done and is being done by your Order, in relieving the sick and the distressed, makes our welcome to you all the heartier.

We are always pleased to receive a body of representative citizens of the Province of Ontario, such as the I.O.O.F., for we are convinced that a gathering of this nature, convened for any good purpose, cannot but leave a good impression and one that will be a benefit to the place in which it is assembled.

We also hope that the advantage will be mutual, and that having spent a few days in the Manchester of Canada the visit will be beneficial to the gentlemen who have come here from different parts of the country.

Of your Order, we are pleased to inform you that it is a very strong and highly respected one in Galt, having about 263 members engaged in ministering to the sick, relieving the distressed and in general carrying out the principles of your Order. This, no doubt, will be pleasing to you and also gratifying to us, for it shows that the people of Galt are animated by a spirit of Friendship, Love and Truth, which leads them to band together for the purpose of mutual benefit.

It is not only the Members of your Order in Galt who bid you welcome, but as a whole town we give you greeting; and trust that your sessions will be of great assistance to the Order; and that the results of your deliberations will be such as to enable your Society to do even better work, to further its progress and prosperity, and that the solid foundation and good principles which have hitherto been laid so well will continue to build up a Society strong in membership, yet stronger still in its power to do good.

While we hope that your ressions will be profitable, we also hope that your visit will be a pleasant one, carrying away with you many happy memories of the beautiful town of Galt, and that you will look forward to a time—and we trust

not distant—when you may be enabled again to assemble here and be received in the same cordial manner in which you are welcomed here to-day.

Again on behalf of the Town Council and the citizens generally, I bid you welcome.

J. H. RADFORD, Mayor.

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His Worship also extended to the visitors the freedom of the town. He resumed his seat amidst vigorous applause.

To which the Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, made the following eloquent reply:—

Mr. Mayer:—

On behalf of the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and in the name of the great body represented here this afternoon, I thank you and the good people of Galt, the "Manchester of Canada," for your hearty reception and kindly welcome. And while, sir, you have been good enough to extend to our Representatives the liberty and freedom of your town, speaking for them, I may take the responsibility of saying that they will conduct themselves orderly and as good citizens should, since the principles of Odd Fellowship teach all that good citizenship means.

You have rightly spoken in a laudatory manner of the work which Odd Fellowship is doing, and I believe I am within the mark when I say that you have not overestimated that work; for it may safely be contended that no other human organization has been able to dispense benefits of so varied a character and so vast in amount as has been dispensed from year to year by the Independent Order of Odd Fellows. From the opening of the first Lodge on this Continent, in the city of Baltimore, on the 26th day of April, 1819, this grand work for the uplifting of human character, for the alleviation of human distress and for the upbuilding of a lofty and noble manhood, has been going on. For eighty years the Divine Command has been heralded through the earth—to visit the sick, relieve the distressed, to bury the dead and educate the orphan, has been loyally obeyed and is to-day being more perfectly carried out by the Order than ever before. Odd Fellowship being founded on the eternal principles of Friendship, Love and Truth, has won for itself the great heart of the world, and to-day if any institution is receiving the plaudits of the world it is the Odd Fellows. The teachings of the Order could not but elevate its votaries and assist them in battling against the ills of life. Every hour of the day it was relieving the State of a burden by reason of the relief bestowed and the care and attention given to its suffering. Since its birth it had done a mighty work and was still forging ahead, demanding and receiving the respect of every other organization. In character its work was of the most elevating kind, being entirely unselfish and self-denying. While it does not boast of ancient birth or noble parentage, its deeds were none the less beneficent. During its short history it has spent for

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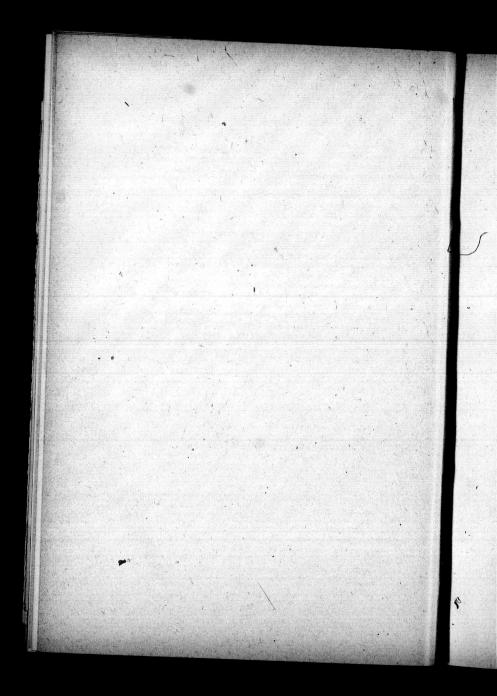
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relief its hundred million dollars, while millions more invested in homes contribute comfort to the needy. Every day nearly \$11,000 were being distributed unostentatiously for the succor of the distressed. In the Province of Ontario alone, which is only one-fifty-sixth part of the Order on this Continent, not to speak of the Eastern Hemisphere, over \$82,000 were spent last year, and all these moneys were given as a right and not as charity. But while the Order is a Brotherhood in the highest sense it is also a Sisterhood. The Rebekah Branch was planted on the order in the year 1851, with Schyler Colfax, Vice-President of the United States, as its worthy sponsor. In this branch worthy women find golden opportunities for organized efforts for the amelioration of our race, and an Odd Fellows' Home for Ontario is now their most cherished hope, where dependent brothers and sisters not possessed of this world's goods may find a haven of rest. I hope soon to see their heart's desire fulfilled.

Again, Mr. Mayor, permit me to thank you and your good people for their magnificent reception. You have opened your doors and your hearts to your visitors, and we shall ever hold in remembrance your kindness. I trust that our Order in your fair town will merit your appreciation, and that all will unite in the endeavor to promote good citizenship, thus hastening the time when all people of the earth will dwell together in the bond and spirit of that true fraternity designed by the Great Author of our being.



INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS

FRIENDSHIP, LOVE, AND TRUTH

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION

OF THE

GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO

HELD AT

GALT, ONTARIO

Town Hall, Galt, August 10th, 1898.

The Grand Lodge convened at Galt to hold its forty-fourth session at 9 o'clock a.m.

The Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, called the Grand Lodge to order.

The Grand Conductor and Grand Herald after examination declared those present entitled to seats in the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Secretary reported a quorum present. The Grand Chaplain, Bro. A. L. Geen, offered prayer.

Almighty Father, the Protector of all who put their trust in Thee, we thank Thee for Thy care over us during the past year, for the success vouchasfed to our Order and for Thy grace to those who have been called upon to suffer pain or bereavement. And now, O Father, who has taught us "that pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep ourselves unspotted from the world," bless us in our

labors on their behalf, direct us in all our doings with Thy continual help, that in all our works we may please Thee, and finally by Thy mercy obtain admission to the Grand Lodge above through Jesus Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Whereupon the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. J. E. Farewell, by direction of the chair, declared the forty-fourth session of the Grand Lodge of Ontario duly opened for business.

The Grand Master appointed the following Committee on Credentials:

Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary; Wm. Bushell, P.G., Windsor; Rep. Jno. Slemmon, Minto Lodge, No. 98, Hamilton.

The Grand Master appointed Bro. W. A. Dennis, Waterloo Lodge, No. 107, Messenger; and Mr. Jno. Black, Janitor.

The Grand Secretary appointed Rep. Joseph Powley as his Assistant for the session.

These appointments were confirmed by the Grand Lodge.

The following was adopted:

Moved by R. Meek, seconded by R. W. Haydon, and

Resolved,—That the Grand Master appoint a Press Reporter, for the preparation of the usual press reports, and that the work be done under the supervision of a Special Committee.

The chair named the following as the Press Committee:

Reps. R. Meek, Cataraqui Lodge, No. 10; Harry Rowland, Samaritan Lodge, No. 35; W. D. McLean, Fidelity Lodge, No. 55.

On motion of Bro. Hy. White, P.G.M., seconded by Rep. Robt. Meek, the minutes of the session of 1897, as printed in the Annual Journal of Proceedings, were adopted as printed.

The Grand Master announced that he had received a protest against the action of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, in the matter of its action in declaring the election of Bro. Thomas Donnelly void, and in the election of a successor, and appointed the following committee to investigate into and report on the matter forthwith, viz.:

Reps. O. L. Lewis, Chatham Lodge, No. 29; John Gibson,

P.G.M., Avon Lodge, No. 41; J. B. McIntyre, P.G.M., Union Lodge, No. 16.

Report No. 1.—Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary, from the Committee on Credentials, presented the following report, which was adopted:

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

Your Committee on Credentials submit the following report:

We find that the Brothers whose names appear herein were reported on the returns of their several Lodges as having been duly elected as Representatives to this Session.

We find that the rule which requires that a certificate of such election shall be sent with the return has not been complied with as it should have been. The neglect in this respect has prevented the names of those Representatives from being placed on the list of Representatives reported by the Grand Secretary.

Since the returns were received several changes have been made. Owing to illness or other cause, the regularly elected Representative has resigned and another Brother elected. In all such cases a certificate of that fact, with the certificate of the newly-elected Representative, has been presented to your Committee.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the Brothers named herein be recognised as legal Representatives of their respective Lodges and that they be instructed in the Grand Lodge degree.

Your Committee would recommend that all Representatives who may hereafter present themselves during this Session, and all Past Grands who may present properly attested estificates, be instructed in the Grand Lodge degree by the Grand Warden in the ante-room and admitted as members of this Grand body.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. KING, WM. BUSHELL, JNO. SLEMMON.

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351			Bobcaygeon	
352	Alexander Summers Aberdeen	301	Plattsville	
353	W. J. Ransom Fellowship	302	Aultsville	
354	Vining St. Clair Star	303	Dickinson's L'd'g	
355	Peter McRae Valentine	304	Crampton	
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357	J. R. Tennant Princeton	306	Harrowsmith	
358	W. S. Given Millbrook	307	Princeton	
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361	H. Carman	310	Shedden	
362	H. Carman Zeta	311	Morrisburg	
363	A. E. Jones Spirit Rock .	312	Wiarton	
364	Alex. Murray Electric City.	313	Chippawa	
365	W. H. Brooks.	314	Toronto	
366	Edgar Polyer	314	Toronto	
367	Edgar Baker Mountain	315	Mountain	
368	J. B. Weldon Britain	316	Little Britain	
369	J. E. Whaley Laurentian	317	Westport	
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The new Representatives were then introduced, obligated and instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree by the Grand Warden, Bro.

The following invitations were read:

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Grand Master, Grand Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge of

Waterloo Lodge, No. 107, extends a hearty invitation to you to be present and take part with us in a procession and demonstration this afternoon. Procession leaves Town Hall at 1.30 sharp.

We request a large turnout of the Representatives.

Hoping that you will accept this invitation.

We remain yours fraternally,

A. G. BRUCE,

Sec'y Com.

J. A. Young, Esq., Grand Master, Officers and Members in Grand Lodge GALT, August 9, 1898.

GENTLEMEN,—I have been instructed to forward you the following resolution,

Charleman,—I have been instructed to forward you the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted at our last meeting.

Resolved:—That the fraternal greetings of this Lodge be extended to the Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at present assembled in

We trust your meeting here will be a pleasant one to yourselves and a profitable one to your Order, and that in the near future you will again honor our town by a visit from your honorable body.

I am, yours truly,

R. J. GIBB, Secy Friendship Lodge, C.O.O.F.

GALT, August 10th, 1898.

J. B. King, Esq., Grand Secretary 1.0.0.F., Galt:

DEAR SIR,—Court Manchester, No. 71, Canadian Order of Foresters, extends to your Grand Lodge fraternal greetings, and considers it a pleasant

privilege to accord you a hearty welcome.

Although of a different organization, but whose objects are for the betterment of maskind, we take a deep interest in any Society whose aims are such as

we know your Grand Lodge represents.

We feel honored in having you amongst us and know our town will be

We earnestly hope that your visit will be very pleasant and that your Society may have continued success and prosperity.

Believe me,

Yours fraternally,

T. E. McLELLAN,

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GALT, August 10th, 1898.

Grand Master, Officers and Representatives, Grand Lodge of Ontario:

The Degree Staff of Ivy Rebekah Lodge of Galt will exemplify the Rebekah Degree in this hall this evening at 8.30, to which all members of the Degree are cordially invited.

Any Representative who has not already received the Degree, we would be glad to have his proposition, so that we can give him the Degree.

I am, fraternally,

SUSIE DENNIS,

Sec'y Ivy, No. 62.

GALT, Aug. 9th, 1898.

To the Members of the I.O.O.F. Grand Lodge, in Session in Galt:

GENTLEMEN,—We, the members of Court Grand River, A.O.F., send you greeting. We desire to express to you our sympathy with your object and aim, which are, we believe, identical with our own. Your Order is Fraternal and Benevolent, as is that to which we belong, and we desire you to accept our best wishes for a successful sojourn in this "The Manchester of Canada."

We, as Foresters and as citizens of Galt, appreciate the honor you do us by your presence here, and we trust that you will derive both pleasure and benefit from your visit and the sessions you are about to had a such as the session will be a such

from your visit and the sessions you are about to hold in this town.

Court Grand River and your Galt Lodges have ever had the friendliest of intercourse, and these relations will ever continue.

Prosperity and Progress have smiled on both Societies in Galt and the prospects are bright for further mutual advancement.

In conclusion, allow us to address you as fellow-workers in the Brother-hood, of which our Orders are a part.

Signed in behalf of Court 5962, A.O.F.,

A. FERGUSON.

Chief Ranger.

Chief Kanger.

GALT, Aug. 2nd, 1898.

J. B. King, Esq., Grand Secretary 1.0.0.F., Toronto:

DRAR SIR,—To any of the Members of your Order who may visit Galt next week I have been requested by the Directors of the Galt Public Library to offer the privileges of its reading room.

We hope that many of the Brethren may find time to visit our rooms, where they will find the daily papers and the magazines and other periodicals.

Yours truly,

JAMES E. KERR, Vice-Pres. Galt Library.

On motion of Bro. Joseph Oliver, P.G.M., seconded by Rep. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., the following was adopted:—

Resolved: -That the several kindly-expressed invitations be accepted, and

Resolved: — That when this Grand Lodge adjourns its present session stands adjourned until 9 o'clock to morrow—Thursday—morning.

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The roll of Officers and Representatives was then called, when all the Grand Officers and Representatives answered to their names.

GRAND OFFICERS.

J. A. Young	
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REV. A. L. GEEN. Grand Herald HENRY WHITE. Grand Chaplain	
HENRY WHITEGrand Chaplain Junior Past Grand Master	

Report No. 2—Rep. O. L. Lewis, from the Special Committee appointed to consider and report on the protest of Bro. Thos. Donnelly, P.G., of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, submitted the following report:

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

Your Committee to whom was referred the protest of Bro. Thomas Donnelly, P. G., of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, I.O.O.F., in re the election of a Grand Representative from said last named Lodge to this Grand Body, beg to report as follows:

r. That they have heard read the evidence submitted on behalf of Bro. Donnelly and Kingston Lodge respectively, and heard the statement of both parties through their representatives.

2. That they find from the evidence submitted (under the seal of Kingston Lodge) that Bro. Donnelly was elected a Representative to this Grand Body Kingston Lodge, pursuant to Sec. 5 of the Constitution governing this Grand Body; but the return of such election omits all reference to his election.

 That at a subsequent meeting of said Kingston Lodge, the said election was attempted to be annulled and Bro. Diack, P. G., appointed in his room and stead.

 That your Committee finds that Bro. Donnelly is now a duly constituted and elected Representative of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, I.O.O.F., to this Grand

That your Committee on Credentials be instructed accordingly.All of which is respectfully submitted.

O. L. LEWIS, JOHN GIBSON, J. B. MCINTYRE.

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Brothers Robert Diack, P. G., and Thos. Donnelly, P. G., each, by permission, addressed the Grand Lodge.

The question being on the adoption of the report, it was adopted without dissent.

Rep. Wm. Bushell, from the Committee on Credentials, reported, as directed by the Special Committee, that Brother Thos. Donnelly was duly elected and entitled to a seat as one of the Representatives of Kingston Lodge, No. 59. The Report was adopted.

The Grand Master then appointed the following Standing and Special Committees:

ON DISTRIBUTION-

Reps. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., Brock Lodge, No. 9, Brockville; F. Lambel, Amity Lodge, No. 80, Prescott; J. E. Harrison, Ivy Lodge, No. 90, Parkhill.

On Laws of Subordinates-

Reps. W. A. Rawlings, St. Catharines; D. Robertson, St. Catharines; Wm. Amor, Unity Lodge, No. 47, Hamilton (appointed in *interim*); J. H. Magill, Durham Lodge, No. 78, Port Hope; John Morgan, Saxon Lodge, No. 121, Ailsa Craig; Henry Schofield, Olive Branch Lodge, No. 88, Woodstock (appointed at Grand Lodge.)

ON FINANCE-

Reps. Jos. Oliver, P.G.M., Queen City of Ontario Lodge, No. 56, Toronto; C. E. Hoffman, Liberty Lodge, No. 323, Berlin; N. S. Schnarr, Gold Hill Lodge, No. 261, Rat Portage; R. Lee, Walkerton Lodge, No. 84, Walkerton; Henry Clark, Elora Lodge, No. 231, Elora; E. J. Flavin, Royal Oak Lodge, No. 108, Georgetown; Geo. A. Cliff. Napanee Lodge, No. 86, Napanee; Wm. Elder, Hensall Lodge, No. 223, Hensall; Staples G. Tilly, Western City Lodge, No. 93 Chatham.

ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE-

Reps. R. N. Sheppard, Altert Lodge, No. 194, Toronto; H. Sutton, Rideau Lodge, No. 241, Smith's Falls; Wm. Quinn, Otonabee Lodge, No. 13, Peterborough; Wm. Maddiford, Forest City Lodge, No. 38, London; J. A. Wilson, Queen City Lodge, No. 56, Toronto; R. W. Sugden, Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, Oshawa; A. Carmichael, Lindsay Lodge, No. 100, Lindsay; Jas. Armitage, Penetangore Lodge, No. 172, Kincardine.

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Reps. J. B. McIntyre, P.G. M., Union Lodge, No. 16, St. Catharines; O. L. Lewis, Chatham Lodge, No. 29, Chatham; S. M. Thomson, Harmony Lodge, No. 115, Brantford; W. H. Lowe, Orient Lodge, No. 134, Welland; H. Rowland, Samaritan Lodge, No. 35, Ingersoll; David Moore, Unity Lodge, No. 47, Hamilton; W. Cochrane. Kingston Lodge, No. 59, Kingston; W. S. Johnston, Central Lodge, No. 322, Toronto; Jacob Taylor, Clinton Lodge, No. 83, Clinton.

ON LEGISLATION-

Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G.S., London; Reps. R. Meek, Cataraqui Lodge, No. 10, Kingston; W. J. Clark, Friendship Lodge, No. 65, Petrolea; Joel McLeod, Thamesford Lodge, No. 258, Thamesford; A. G. Bruce, Waterloo Lodge, No. 107, Galt; C. W. Thomson, Wildey Lodge, No. 153, Granton; Robt. Pye, Thamesville Lodge, No. 157, Thamesville; E. Mitton, Ridgetown Lodge, No. 144, Ridgetown.

ON ELECTION RETURNS-

Reps. A. E. Harley, Gore Lodge, No. 34, Brantford; A. Dowsley, Rockliffe Lodge, No. 278, Ottawa; F. A. Latshaw, Valley City Lodge, No. 117, Dundas.

On MILEAGE AND PER DIEM-

Reps. Jas. Hewer, Progress Lodge, No. 159, Guelph; A. Macpherson, Saugeen Lodge, No. 327, Markdale; Geo. Latcham, Frontier Lodge, No. 45, Windsor; Robt. Douglas, Unity Lodge, No. 47, Homilton; A. D. McLean, Fidelity Lodge, No. 55, Seaforth; W.E. Greenaway, Durham Lodge, No. 78, Port Hope; J. H. Bustin, Nipissing Lodge, No. 79, Uxbridge; George Turnbull, Waterloo Lodge, No. 107, Galt.

On JUDICIARY-

Reps. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M, Covenant Lodge, No. 52, Toronto; R. K. Cowan, Dominion Lodge, No. 48, I ondon; F. H. Gisborne, Carleton Lodge, No. 240, Ottawa; Geo. J. Gibb, Rond Eau Lodge, No. 40, Blenheim; J. E. Ryan, Amity I odge, No. 80, Prescott; John Inksater, Grand River Lodge, No. 91, Paris; John Campbell, Hope Lodge, No. 69, Harriettsville; J. L. Goodburne, Chorazin Lodge, No. 190, London; L. E. Murphy, St. Lawrence Lodge, No. 137, Brockville; R. N. Jennings, Gordon Lodge, No. 247, Palmerston.

ON APPEALS-

Reps W. H. Cole, P.G.M., Brock Lodge, No. 9, Brockville; E. V. O'Brien, Wilton Lodge, No. 242, Toronto; R. W. Haydon, Alpha Lodge, No. 154, Almonte; Dr. E. F. Bowie, Laurel Lodge, No. 110, Toronto; T. Donnelly, Kingston Lodge, No. 59, Kingston; E. N. Jory, Marion Lodge, No. 131, Renfrew; J. Cairns, Acorn Lodge, No. 236, Camlachie,; A. J. Kirkpatrick, Olive Branch Lodge, No. 88, Woodstock.

ON GENERAL PURPOSES (appointed in interim)—

Reps. W. F. Mountain, Toronto; W. J. McCormack, Grand Treasurer, Toronto; J. B. King, Grand Secretary, Toronto

ON DISTRICTS-

Reps. Alf. Coyell, Canada Lodge, No. 49, Toronto; W. H. Ryall, Leamington Lodge, No. 140, Leamington; Gordon Pulford, Rose Lodge, No. 28, Amherstburg; J. Powley, Milton Lodge, No. 92; Milton; J. H. Shibley, Mayflower Lodge, No. 297, Parham; Hy. Vogan, Woodstock Lodge, No. 269, Woodstock; Jas. Boyd, Mizpah Lodge, No. 127, Belleville; John Kimmel, Grand Union Lodge, No. 97, Berl'n; G. S. Wilson, Britannia Lodge, 198 Drayton; W. J. Cruickshank, Weston Lodge, No. 200, Weston.

ON REBEKAH DEGREE-

Reps. Jno. Gibson, P.G.M., Avon Lodge, No. 41, Stratford; J. E. Walker, Harrow Lodge, No. 309, Harrow; Louis Smith, Leamington Lodge, No. 140, Leamington; C. J. Swartman, Georgian Bay Lodge, No. 219, Waubaushene; Alex. G. Hackett, Garnet Lodge, No. 139, Mount Forest; S. Robins, Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, Hamilton; Geo. J. Brill, Progress Lodge, No. 158, Guelph; Jno. Richardson, Aylmer Lodge, No. 94, Aylmer; R. J. Johnston, Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 230, Toronto; A. Forsyth, Athena Lodge, No. 306, Harrowsmith.

SPECIAL No. 1-

Reps. C. C. Lyman, Brock Lodge, No. 9, Brockville; A. D. Ellis, Hayden Lodge, No. 152, Norwich; A. E. Jones, Spirit Rock Lodge, No. 312, Wiarton; Wm. Parker, Reliance Lodge, No 89, Guelph; Hy. Scott, Otter Lodge, No. 50, Tilsonburg; T. W. Leggott, Beethoven Lodge, No. 165, Brooklin; H. E. Bowser, Delta Lodge, No. 265, Delta; R. J. Chadwick, Gananoque Lodge, No. 114, Gananoque; Thos. McDougall, Crescent Lodge, No. 104, Hamilton.

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SPECIAL No. 2-

Reps. J. R. Boothby, Romeo Lodge, No. 164, Stratford; S. M. Durkee, Wellington Square Lodge, No. 178, Burlington; Thos. Fero-Otter Lodge, No. 50, Tilsonburg; R. F. Morrow, Peterboro Lodge No. 111, Peterborough; R. Ronan, Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, Ottawa; Dr. W. J. Burns, Caledonia Lodge, No. 253, Caledonia; W. E-Hewis, Eastern Star Lodge, No. 72, Whitby; J. E. Hughess Pyramid Lodge, No. 156, Newmarket.

SPECIAL No. 3-

Reps. Thos. Lawrence, Collingwood Lodge, No. 54, Collingwood; F. Spain, International Lodge, No. 228, International Bridge; A. E. Gracey, Deseronto Lodge, No. 102, Deseronto; G. T. Newman, Enterprise Lodge, No. 218, Essex ; J. K. Brethour, Merlin Lodge, No. 226, Merlin; F. H. Motheral, Plattsville Lodge, No. 301, Plattsville; J. F. Brown, Elgin Lodge, No. 32, St. Thomas; Geo. Vickers, jr., Barrie Lodge, No. 63, Barrie; J. A. Davis, Valley City Lodge, No. 117, Dundas.

SPECIAL No. 4-

Reps. A. Macomb, Queen City Lodge, No. 56, Toronto; J. J. Matthews, Friendship Lodge, No. 65, Petrolea; Wm. Nagle, Mt. Brydges Lodge, No. 217, Mt. Brydges; Jno. Slemmin, Minto Lodge, No. 98, Harriston; Wm. Conrad, Germania Lodge, No. 184, Waterloo; W. R. White, Mallorytown Lodge, No. 245, Mallorytown; W. J. Norfolk, Avon Lodge, No. 41, Stratford; J. M. Proudfoot, Huron Lodge, No. 62, Goderich; Wm. Nichol, Dolman Lodge, No 174, Ayr.

SPECIAL No. 5-

Reps. L. C. Pascoe, Belleville Lodge, No. 81, Bellleville ; E. H. Wilson, Naomi Lodge, No. 116, Markham; Jno. Ross, Sarnia Lodge, No. 126, Sarnia; S. D. Watt, Meaford Lodge, No. 260, Meaford; J. A. Hills, Ontario Lodge, No. 320, Pickering; E. James, Broadview Lodge, No. 294, Toronto; W. D. Elliott, Aurora Lodge, No 148, Aurora; W. R. Brown, Bay of Quinte Lodge, No 143, Picton; W. J. Hamilton, Cobourg Lodge, No. 136, Cobourg.

SPECIAL No. 6-

Reps. F. R. Blewett, Listowel Lodge, No. 160, Listowel; A. McLean, Underwood Lodge, No. 328, Underwood; Allen McFee, Belleville Lodge, No. 81, Belleville; Jas. Kee, Gananoque Lodge, No 114, Gananoque; J. E. Cook, Prospect Lodge, No. 314, Toronto; R. J. Oliver, Balmoral Lodge, No. 280, Merrickville;

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E C. Mears, Niagara Falls Lodge, No. 53, Niagara Falls; D. B. Brown, Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 57, Orangeville; John Hunter, Eureka Lodge, No. 30, London.

SPECIAL No. 7-

Reps. Isaac Unsworth, Florence Lodge, No. 196, Florence; Peter McPherson, Silver City Lodge, No. 206, Trenton; W. D. Spence, St. Marys Lodge No. 36, St. Marys; Jas. Anderson, Pembroke Lodge, No. 203, Pembroke; W. H. Pyke, Howard Lodge, No. 58, Strathroy; J. H. Garner, Cataract Lodge, No. 103, Niagara Falls; Bens n O'Hara, Madoc Lodge, No. 179, Madoc; R. Simpson, St. Thomas Lodge, No. 76, St. Thomas; Jno. Cousins, Glanworth Lodge, No. 289, Glanworth.

SPECIAL No. 8-

Reps. S. A Popplestone, Exeter Lodge, No. 67. Exeter; W. R. Barnett, Ahiram Lodge, No. 205, Paisley; Dugald Stewart, Teeswater Lodge, No. 183, Teeswater; A. C. Priest, Owen Sound Lodge, No. 180, Owen Sound; T. H. Burns, Southampton Lodge, No. 325, Southampton; G. E. Heming, Victoria Lodge, No. 64, Hamilton; Wm. Edgar, Florence Nightingale Lodge, No. 66. Bowmanville; J. Howser, Sydenham Valley Lodge, No. 120, Wallaceburg; Fred. J. Ward, Stirling Lodge, No. 239, Stirling.

SPECIAL No. 9 -

Reps. Dr. H. Ullyott, E.mira Lodge, No. 216, Elmira; T. G. Holt, Grey Lodge, No. 169, Durham; W. E. Locock, St. Thomas Lodge, No. 76, St. Thomas; J. Whinton, Cataraqui Lodge No. 10, Kingston; Fred. Park, Pheenix Lodge, No. 22, Oshawa; Amos Tipling, Maitland Lodge, No. 119, Wingham; G. D. Douglas, Oxford Lodge, No. 77, Ingersoll; Jas. Taylor, Dresden Lodge, No. 124, Dresden; Robt. McCallum, Stella Lodge, No. 125, Carleton Place.

SPECIAL NO. 10-

Reps H. Johnson, Simcoe Lodge, No. 161, Simcoe; J. D. Knox, Geneva Lodge, No. 320, Orillia; Foster Johnston, Lambton Lodge, No. 277, Bryden; Chas. Ade, Sudbury Lodge, No. 282, Sudbury; B. Slinn, Earnscliffe Lodge, No. 283, Cumnings Bridge; N. M. Lloyd, Tweed Lodge, No. 290, Tweed; W. H. Fenner, Comber Lodge, No. 298, Comber; J. R. Tennant, Princeton Lodge, No. 326, Shelburne.

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The Grand Master presented his report, which was referred to the Committee on Distribution as printed.

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

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

Grand Officers and Brethren.—Once more the revolving wheels of time have assembled us together as members of a great and mighty Fraternity, linked in the bonds of Friendship, Love and Truth, each one striving as individuals in one great family to do what best he can to aid and assist his brother along the rugged pathway of life; once more this Annual Communication brings greetings of joy, as hand grasps hand, and heart greets heart, and once more we can say the Guiding Hand of an All-wise Providence has kept us in his clasp, and to-day in this beautiful and most prosperous Town of Galt, nestled under the shading hills, gives greeting. To the old Representatives I extend a most cordial welcome to this our 44th session, and I hail with pleasure the advent of the younger members to this Grand Body, and trust that one and all comes prepared to give a faithful service in transacting the all important business which will be brought under your review.

I. - CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

Having availed myself of the opportunity of visiting many Lodges in this Grand Jurisdiction, I feel that I am in a position to say that the progress of the Order, as in the years gone by, has been onward and upward; that the financial obligations have been faithfully carried out; that good-will and good fellowship—fundamental characteristics of Odd Fellowship—have never been more strongly manifested among the brethren, showing that the everlasting principles of Fraternity have an abiding place in the hearts of the members.

While the increase in members has not been as large as the more enthusiastic brethren desire, yet it is most satisfactory to know that those who are able to gain admission are nature's noblemen. In order to show that the commands of Odd Fellowship have been fully obeyed I would instance the large expenditure for relief in this Province alone of \$82,618 for the past year. The increase in membership the past term has been nearly three times that of the previous year.

II. - OFFICIAL VISITS.

There has been no part of my work laden with greater pleasure than that of visiting the Lodges, assisting them in their work and instructing in all that pertains to their advancement, giving encour-

agement, urging the membership to greater activity, loyalty and zeal, and I can bear testimony to the interest manifested in the work by the brethren. In almost every instance the attendance has been large, not only by the members of each Lodge visited, but by those of other Lodges who came long distances and often in inclement weather. These are sure indications of an abiding attachment by the membership to the Order which we all love so well. I have felt it my duty to obey all calls and have done so, except in a few isolated instances when my time was secured by a prior engagement. And when not so occupied, my correspondence and other matters in connection with the Order have absorbed my time.

On Monday, September 20th, I visited Parry Sound Lodge, No. 189, at Parry Sound. There was a large attendance of the members

by whom I was received in a most cordial manner.

On Tuesday, the 21st, I laid the corner stone of the New Odd Fellows' Temple at Parry Sound, which I understand has since been dedicated to Odd Fellowship. From information received I judge

the building to be an imposing structure.

On Wednesday, the 22nd, I visited Fairy Lodge, No 275, Huntsville. This Lodge last year failed to send a representative. called a special meeting and succeeded in inducing those who had remained away from Lodge meetings to attend. Having discussed the situation with them I appointed a committee to audit the books, make out the semi-annual return and forward the per capita tax, which duty was duly performed. The cause of the trouble being removed the Lodge has entered upon a new era of prosperity. desire to thank Bro. M. J. Dickie, of Bracebridge, D.D.G.M., for his untiring efforts in assisting this Lodge, which I believe is now showing renewed activity.

On September 23rd I attended a reception by the Metropolitan Degree Lodge, Toronto, to Niagara Lodge, No. 25, Buffalo. This was a most enjoyable affair, and the Order in Toronto is to be complimented upon the manner in which the visitors were received and

On Thursday, November 4th, in company with Past Grand Master Oliver I paid an unexpected visit to Samaritan Lodge; No. 35, Ingersoll, and witnessed the initiation of a candidate and enjoyed a most fraternal reception.

On Friday, November 5th, I attended a special meeting of District No. 11 at Woodstock. The Lodges of the District were fully represented, and a most enjoyable and profitable meeting was

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I visited Eureka Lodge, No. 30, London. This visit was without notice and the attendance was only an average one, but pleasure and profit was the result. Once this Lodge was the haunt of a vigorous membership, and it is hoped that the latent fires of Friendship which burn dimly upon the altar will soon spring into a mighty flame. Those members who possess the stronghold could profitably enlist the services of younger and more active members, and guide them to great success.

On Thursday, November 11th, I paid an official visit to Thamesford Lodge, No. 258, this being the Lodge to which I have the honor to belong; my reception was of the warmest and most enthusiastic character. The Degree team of Samaritan Lodge, No. 35, exemplified the Initiatory work, while Woodstock Lodge, No. 269, put on the Second Degree, both teams displaying a high state of perfection in the work. Bro. McLurg, Grand Warden, Bro. James Sutherland, M.P., of Woodstock, and Bro. H. Roland, Past Grand Marshal, of Ingersoll, being present, while brethren from London, Harrietsville, Embro, Crampton, and other Lodges attended in large numbers. After the adjournment of the Lodge a sumptuous banquet terminated an evening which will long remain in the minds

On Tuesday, December 7th, I visited Olive Branch, Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 16, Toronto. One candidate was initiated by the Lodge team under the captaincy of Bro. Terry. The attendance was large and the work performed by the team was of the

most satisfactory character.

On Wednesday, December 6th, I visited Naomi Lodge, No 116, Markham. There was a good attendance of members who appeared to be most enthusiastic. This Lodge has since made good progress.

On Thursday, December 9th, I visited Brougham Lodge, No. 155, Whitevale, A large deputation from Ontario Lodge, No. 324, Pickering, Naomi Lodge, Beethoven Lodge, Brooklin, also Major J. E. Farewell, Deputy Grand Master, and Bro. Wilson, D.D.G.M., of Brooklin. I took advantage of the occasion to hold a Lodge of instruction, in which all present evidenced a most lively interest. My, thanks are due to Bro. J. W. Wonch, D.D.G.M., for many kindnesses received.

On Tuesday, 14th December, I visited Embro Star Lodge, No. 229, Embro, and witnessed the exemplification of the Initiatory and First Degree upon one candidate by the Degree team of Thamesford Lodge, and the Second Degree by Woodstock Lodge, No. 269. Although the weather was very inclement there was a large attendance, and the entertainment bestowed by Embro Star was in the usual sumptuous manner for which this Lodge is noted.

On Thursday, December 16th, I instituted Carnation Rebekah Degree Lodge, No. 58, at Wallaceburg. The work was performed by Colfax Rebekah Degree Lodge in a highly satisfactory manner. The President, Mrs. Luscombe, kindly assisted at the institution. The Lodge starts off with a large membership, and later reports are most encouraging.

On Friday, December 17th, I visited Sydenham Valley Lodge, No. 120. The Lodge team conferred one Degree upon a candidate in good form, after which an enjoyable evening was spent in discussing matters of interest to the Lodge.

On Friday, 14th of January, I dedicated the hall of Tecumseh Lodge, No. 182, Otterville. A notable feature of the evening was the prominent part taken by several of the sisters of Violet Rebekah Degree Lodge which added grace and beauty to the occasion. After the Dedicatory services had been completed Bro. Eggman, D.D.G.M., of Norwich, accompanied by his installing team from Hayden Lodge, installed the officers in a most efficient manner. An elaborate banquet followed. The attendance was large and select. To Bro. Alex. McFarlane, acting as Grand Marshal, is due much credit for bringing the proceedings to such a successful issue.

On Tuesday, January 18th, I visited Dufferin Lodge, at Flesherton, a report of which will be found elsewhere. Two candidates were initiated.

On Wednesday, January 19th, I visited Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 57, Orangeville, when one brother was reinstated and a candidate initiated. I addressed the brethren upon the necessity of greater activity in order to maintain an existence. A division of interests in other societies has apparently resulted in a lack of growth. Some attention and instruction by some qualified person would revive the enthusiasm in the Order. Bro. A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative, was present to speak words of encouragement.

On Tuesday, January 25th, I visited St. Mary's Lodge, No. 36, when one candidate was proposed for membership and one other has been initiated since. The system upon which this Lodge had been previously working was not apparently giving satisfaction to its members. I advised a new system of management which, I believe, has been adopted, and I trust will restore confidence among the members. The hall has become a dead weight, but the general receipts from the members of the Lodge should not be sunk in keeping up the building.

On Tuesday, February 8th, I visited Glanworth Lodge, No. 289, when two candidates were initiated by members from Eureka Lodge,

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No. 30, London, and Thamesford Lodge, No. 258. Bro. Doggett, Past Grand Representative, of St. Thomas, was present and installed the officers on behalf of Bro. Squance, the District Deputy, who was suffering from a serious injury to an eye. Although the membership of this Lodge is small, the quality is satisfactory, and I believe the Lodge is endeavoring to advance its position.

On Thursday, February 10th, by invitation, I visited Samaritan Lodge, No. 35, Ingersoll, and the Initiatory Degree was conferred upon one candidate by Star Lodge, No. 304, Crampton, in a manner that brought much appreciative response, after which the home team conferred the Third Degree in a most excellent manner. After the completion of Lodge work the brethren retired to the Town Hall where a sumptuous banquet was laid, after which several hours were spent in speeches, music and song. I was accompanied by Grand Secretary King, Past Grand Master J. T. Gibson, Grand Conductor Geddes, Grand Marshal Perry, R. K. Cowan, Grand Lodge Solicitor, and Bro. Sudworth, D.D.G.M. The attendance was very large, twenty-five lodges by count being represented. Since the early years Samaritan Lodge has maintained an exalted and progressive position, while, perhaps, the past term has not been excelled. The courtesy extended to me by this Lodge has always been unlimited.

On Monday, February 14th, by invitation of Oakville Lodge, No 132, I visited this Lodge and was most hospitably and courteously received. One candidate was initiated by the Lodge team in a manner which showed ability to interpret the ritualistic work. The attendance was large, although a political meeting was being held in the town. My thanks are due to Bro. J. C. Ford, D.D.G.M., for special favors received and assistance afforded in the work of visiting his District.

On Tuesday, February 12th, by arrangement, I visited Milton Lodge, No. 92, Milton, being accompanied by Bro. J. C. Ford, D.D.G.M. The attendance was small, resulting, no doubt, particularly from the very inchement night. I addressed the members upon the necessity of giving more loyal service to this branch of our life's occupation, and gave much needed instruction in conducting lodge business and the unwritten work. One of the old Charter members and editor of the town paper asked for reinstatement. From recent information I understand that Milton Lodge is giving evidence of renewed vigor, but further assistance is required.

On February 23rd, agreeably to appointment, I made an effort to visit Teeswater Lodge, No. 133, but was prevented by the train being six hours late. I arrived in the town, however, at 10.30 in the evening and found several brethren still waiting my incoming.

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It was indeed a pleasant opportunity to meet several representatives to Grand Lodge who are old and well-tried members of the Order. After several hours spent in giving information and instruction, and trying to awaken the old enthusiasm of former days, our meeting terminated by my promising to send assistance in the near future. This obligation has been carried out and several members have been added to the Lodge, which gives signs of permanent prosperity.

On Thursday, February 24th, I proceeded to Underwood in the County of Bruce, and instituted Underwood Lodge, No. 328, being accompanied by the Degree team of Penetangore Lodge, No. 172, Kincardine, who turned out in enthusiastic numbers, and conferred the several degrees in a brilliant manner, the whole night having been occupied in the work, as was the case at the other institutions. Twenty candidates were initiated, and this Lodge starts off with great promises of being a success. The institution was limited by the Charter members to twenty candidates, and the good work of making members has been continued.

On Friday, February 25th, I complied with an invitation to visit Lucknow Lodge, No. 112, and received a most cordial reception. The members from neighboring Lodges were in attendance, and a most profitable evening of instruction and discussion was enjoyed. The entertainment afforded by the brethren of this Lodge was much appreciated, and my visit was very enjoyable.

By prior arrangement, I visited Egremont Lodge, No. 207, Kerwood. The membership of this Lodge is small, though of good quality, and the attendance very satisfactory, several having come a considerable distance. The latent interest of the membership seems to have been aroused, as several initiations have taken place during the term. While other societies prosper in small villages like Kerwood, there should be no reason why Lodges of our Order should remain in the background, or take a second place. I was especially gratified to have the presence of Bro. Dr. Gibson, and Bro. Aylesworth of Watford.

Upon invitation Wednesday, March 9th, I visited Ridgetown Lodge No. 144, Ridgetown, and received most hospitable entertainment. Brethren from Rondeau, Thamesville, Bothwell, Rodney and other places were there in large numbers. The members of the Degree Staff under Bro. Dr. Young exemplified the Third Degree to my entire satisfaction and delight. The captain of this team exhibits a most praiseworthy ability for the construction of diagrams original and beautiful in design, and upon the practice of which his team enters with commendable spirit and enterprise. I have not seen this work excelled.

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On Thursday, March 10th, upon invitation I visited Merlin Lodge, No. 126. This Lodge has comfortable quarters and is maintaining its position and doing good work. Two candidates were initiated, after which, as was my general practice, I held a Lodge of Instruction, and a lively interest was exemplified in the general discussion which followed. I was invited by this Lodge to lay the corner-stone of the Methodist Church at Merlin, but was prevented by a prior engagement elsewhere.

On Friday, March 11th, I visited Aylmer Lodge, No. 94, Aylmer, and held a Lodge of Instruction. The attendance was large and the members responsive during the evening's work, upon which all seemed to enter with evident relish. This is the home of our esteemed Bro. Warnock, to whom I am indebted for favors. Bro. George Geddes, Grand Marshal, aided in the evening's enjoyment.

Upon request I visited Ilderton Lodge, No. 234, Ilderton, on Thursday, March 17th, and held a Lodge of Instruction, which apparently was appreciated and somewhat needed. It is necessary that every Lodge in the Order, to be able to exist, must have close students of Odd Fellowship, without which Lodges cannot prosper. The membership is of good quality, and this Lodge has the opportunity to become strong financially and numerically.

Monday, March 21st, found me on my way to Forest in response to an invitation by Royal Oak Lodge, No. 208, the occasion being their 25th anniversary. A meeting of Endeavor Rebekah Lodge, No 57, which had been instituted only a short time, was called for 6.30 p.m. One candidate was initiated and much enthusiasm and activity manifested by the membership. At 8.30 we retired to the Subordinate Lodge, which was in session at the Town Hall, and was there met by Grand Guardian, Bro. Simpson, of Parkhill, who officiated as Noble Grand of Ivy Lodge staff which exemplified the Initiatory and Second Degrees, whilethe home team conferred the First and Third Degrees, both Lodges doing the work in a manner which elicited complimentary reference.

On Tuesday 22nd, a special meeting of Endeavor Rebekah Lodge, No. 57, was held for the purpose of instruction in the secret and Lodge work generally.

On Wednesday, March 23rd, I visited Saxon Lodge, No. 121, Ailsa Craig. From the short notice they received there was a fair but not large attendance. The special object of my visit was the settlement of a question which had been pending for several months, and was liable to give the Lodge trouble. I am pleased to say that matters were satisfactorily arranged with all parties, and the lodge as a result relieved from perplexities.

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Lödge, No. 48, London. Two candidates were initiated by the Degree team in a highly creditable manner, which was followed by a Lodge of Instruction. Brethren from Florence, Hope, Glanworth, Amherstburg, Dorchester, Mt. Bridges, Berlin, Woodstock, Guelph, St. Thomas, Thamesford, Strathroy, and the City Lodges were in attendance. Past Grand Sire Campbell graced the meeting by being present and delivering one of his characteristic addresses.

On Friday, April 6th, upon invitation I visited Hayden Lodge, No. 152, Norwich. During the afternoon an informal meeting of the members was held with a view to the settlement of a case in appeal at last Grand Lodge session. As nothing further has been heard of the matter I believe it has been finally disposed of. The Lodge meeting in the evening was largely attended by members from all the surrounding Lodges, whose hearty response gave expression of appreciation of the instruction received. The membership of this Lodge is composed of the best material of the locality. I am indebted to Bro. H. W. Eggman, D.D.G.M., for many kind favors, and to the brethren generally for a very warm reception.

On Tuesday, April 12th, visited Star Lodge, No. 304, Crampton, instituted by now Past Grand Master Oliver. Having been present at the institution, and also upon many occasions in response to requests, I am able to appreciate the great advancement made by this little community of most enthusiastic brethren. This Lodge is a standing rebuke to every sluggish institution in this grand jurisdiction. Its membership is 58.

On Thursday, April 14th, I responded to an invitation to visit Valley City Lodge, No. 117, Dundas, and after the work of the evening was over I was entertained at a banquet, to which were invited prominent members of other societies and members of the press. The evening was profitably spent in song and speech. Valley City Lodge possesses an enviable record for success in carrying out the principles of Odd Fellowship. Bro. A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative, was present and addressed the assemblage.

On Friday, April 15th, I instituted Primrose Rebekah Lodge in the Town of Dundas, with about twenty members. The members of the Subordinate Lodge showed a due appreciation of their privileges by accepting some of the burdens in conducting this branch of our Order. I have no doubt that success is assured to Primrose Lodge. At the institution were the President, Mrs. Luscombe, of Sarnia, and Past Presidents Sister Reid, of Windsor, and Sister King, of Toronto, whose assistance at the institution was called into requisition.

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Upon the 79th anniversary of our Order, I paid an official visit to Chatham Lodge, No. 29, and Western City Lorge, No 93, at a joint meeting. The attendance, according to conservative estimate, was fully 400, and it is not easy to convey a proper estimate of the enthusiasm manifested by this large assembly. The Initiatory Degree was conferred by a union team of Chatham brethren under the captaincy of Bro. William Potter, and it is needless to say the work was faultlessly performed. The First Degree was conferred by the team from Leamington Lodge, No. 140, Captain Bro. V. Doherty, in a masterly manner. In this and other Degrees, this team has won an enviable reputation. The Second Degree was exemplified by the team from Sydenham Valley Lodge, and to say that the exemplification was unique and praiseworthy, does not convey a full sense of the pleasure of witnessing beautiful work. A banquet held at the Rankin House was enjoyed. Past Grand Master J.

Gibson was present and received a royal welcome. On Friday, April 29th, I attended the Anniversary Services under the direction of Samaritan Lodge, No. 33, and Oxford Lodge, No. 37, at Ingersoll. The number of members of the Order in attendance was large and after the services I delivered an address to a

responsive audience in the Lodge room.

On Monday, May 2nd, I paid an unexpected visit to The Toronto Lodge, No. 71, accompanied by Grand Secretary King. The occasion was one at which the Toronto District Committee made their final visitation. The brethren were addressed by D.D. G.M. Woodley, and several papers and addresses by other brothers were delivered. The meeting was largely attended by prominent city brethren, including Past Grand Master Oliver.

On Tuesday, May 3rd, accompanied by D.D.G.M. Woodley, I visited Weston Lodge, No. 200, at Weston. As my visit was without notice, the attendance was only an average. This Lodge has passed through the fires of affliction, and is in need of some encouragement, battling as it is against an unfriendly public, and having earned this reward by a desire to uphold the laws of the Order. Expressions of satisfaction with my visit were made, and a desire

was expressed for an early return.

On Thursday, May 5th, in response to several letters, I visited Watford, accompanied by Bro. Morey, of Ingersoll, and interviewed several members of the defunct Peabody Lodge, No. 99. A meeting was held that evening and a good attendance secured. The situation was discussed and all were in favor of resuscitation. On the following day the names of ten desirable gentlemen were secured, which, together with the thirteen old members, would have been

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ing further except that no progress has been made.

On Monday, May 9th, I visited Lily Lodge, No. 211, at Dorchester, by invitation. There was a large attendance of the members, also a contingent from Thamesford, Glanworth and, Hope Lodges. The evening was occupied in general instruction and discussing matters relative to the prosperity of the Lodge. The semi-annual returns will give information to the effect that this Lodge, by paying larger benefits than are provided by the constitution, is drawing upon its accumulated funds to pay accruing benefits.

On Tuesday, May 10th, I proceeded to Gorne, and visited Howick Lodge, No. 192. Several of the brethren from Montana Lodge, Wroxeter, were present and contributed to the evening's entertainment. Howick Lodge is in a very low condition, having apparently mismanaged its affairs in many respects. The funds of the Lodge have been loaned to members; several have become displeased at such procedure, and have allowed themselves to become suspended. I have been advised to recall the Charter, but on account of great pressure of work, and having hopes that the moneys would be recovered and deposited to the credit of the Lodge, I have refrained from creating a great scandal. By financial failures and deaths, the Lodge has already lost a considerable sum of money. Special efforts should be made to reclaim this Lodge.

On Wednesday, May 11th, in company with Bro. J. A. McDonald, D.D.G.M., I visited Hanover. This Lodge, until recently, has been in a very low condition. Upon the evening of my visitation three candidates were initiated by the Degree team of Walkerton Lodge, No. 84, and all seemed much pleased at the able and efficient manner in which the ceremony was conducted. This Lodge has a good class of members, who should become encouraged by reason of the evening's work. All the members seemed to become inspired by a clearer view of the beauties of the ritual. After the evening's work, the company adjourned to the Queen's Hotel, where a sumptuous repast had been prepared, and a most profitable evening in the interests of Odd Fellowship was brought to a close.

On May 12th I visited Spirit Rock Lodge, No. :12, Wiarton. A special meeting had been called and a Lodge of Instruction was held, and all took a lively interest in the work. This Lodge is in a good position to do better work.

Friday, May 13th, found me at Minto Lodge, Harriston, in company with Bro. F. R. Blewett, D.D.G.M. of Listowel, and several members of his Lodge. Here, as in other places, the talented

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members of this Lodge became much interested in the practical work of the Order. The unwritten work was reviewed, laws discussed, and procedure advised, and the early dawning light found us wending our ways to our respective abodes.

On my way home I visited Tavistock on Saturday, the 14th, and interviewed several members of the Order and also some prospective candidates, relative to the institution of a Lodge of our Order in that progressive village. I believe at a very early date a

Lodge will be instituted.

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On May 15th I attended the anniversary services of Thamesford Lodge, No. 258, at which a large contingent was present from each of the following Lodges:—Lily, No, 211; Samaritan, No. 35; Olive Branch, No. 88; Woodstock, No. 269; Star, No. 304; and Glanworth, No. 289. The collection was in aid of the Home Fund. The effect of this gathering has been very beneficial.

On Monday, the 16th, by appointment, I visited Oxford Lodge, No. 77, Ingersoll. The membership is about fifty, but only a faithful few can be found to take any active part in the Lodge work. These seem to be waiting till the "clouds roll by," and earnestly hoping that some discouraging elements of a local nature may be removed, which I trust will be the case, and this once promising institution will take on a new lease of life. The members who are holding the fort have been exceedingly faithful. I gave them encouragement, assisted them to better understand their work, and offered help whenever they should require it. This Lodge is paying benefits to one member whose case is chronic.

Tuesday evening, May 17th, by request I paid a second visit to Glanworth Lodge, No. 289, to advise with the membership respecting the removal of the Charter to another location and building a new hall. The Lodge is called upon to move from present quarters. A section of the membership desired to unite with another society in the erection of a hall, while others have proven their fidelity to the Order by subscribing funds towards the erection of a building to be controlled entirely by the Lodge. In my estimation a partnership of the kind indicated is not in the interests of the Order, and I advised accordingly.

On Thursday, May 26th, I proceeded to Port Burwell in order to visit the once-famed Lodge, Erie, No. 33, which is now in the lowest condition. The membership is eight, some of whom are nonresidents, and one an invalid, consequently the Lodge has not a quorum. It possesses a building valued at \$1,100, which is far in excess of its value. It is worth an effort to increase the membership, and failing such, a removal might be made to Vienna, three

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miles distant. At present the building acts as a dead weight against the removal of the Lodge. I am indebted to Bro. Harry Scott, of Tilsonburg, who accompanied me, for favors received in making this visit.

Tuesday, May 31st, I visited Bothwell and attended the District Meeting in the afternoon, which was entirely successful under the guidance of D.D.G.M. Fennell. In the evening I met with Bothwell Lodge, No. 74, at which there was a very fair attendance, all being Past Grands excepting two. The books and funds have been carefully looked after by Bro. Hickey, who has devoted much time to caring for the Lodge. I impressed upon the members the necessity of better service. Bro. Unsworth, of Florence, was present and offered the services of his Lodge if desired.

On Wednesday, June 1st, I visited Dauncey Lodge, No. 176, Thedford. The attendance was small and the working of the Lodge somewhat crude. There are some good members in this Lodge, but little enthusiasm.

On Thursday, June 2nd, I visited Acorn Lodge, No. 236, Camlachie, Which held a special meeting. The attendance was very good and the membership of the best quality. D.D.G.M. Buchanan, of Forest, was present together with brothers from Ilderton and Wyoming Lodges. The members of this Lodge would be benefited if they gave the same support to Odd Fellowship as to other societies. I am indebted to Bro. Charles Stewart, of Forest, for special favors.

On Friday, June 3rd, I visited Hensall Lodge, No. 233, missing the opportunity of meeting the District meeting in the afternoon. District Deputy L. Harold is a member of this Lodge and an enthusiastic worker. The meeting in the evening was one long to be remembered, and was a record-breaker in this District, members being in attendance from Fidelity, Exeter, Goderich, Brucefield, Clinton, and Harrow. Two candidates were initiated and one proposition received. Bro. Beattie told of the great progress which Fidelity Lodge had made during the past year. The Degree team of Hensall' Lodge understands its work, and the officers showed that they have an excellent conception of the Ritual.

On Monday, June 6th, I unexpectedly visited Broadview Lodge, No. 294, Toronto, when two candidates were initiated. Bros. Grand Secretary King, A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative, J. R. Oliver, and A. Coyell were in attendance. The work by the Degree team was accurately performed.

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by Bro. Blackeby. Two candidates received their Degrees This Lodge has not shown in the past the desirable enthusiasm for which a few years ago it was famed. But the bright days may soon come again.

On Wednesday afternoon, June 8th, I met with Royal City District Committee, and the work of the session was entertaining and instructive, and the report of the Master elicited much useful discussion. District excepting one were represented.

On Wednesday evening, June 8th, according to engagement, I visited Elmira Lodge, No. 216, accompanied by District Deputy Grand Master Bro. Travers, of Berlin. We found it advisable to engage the brethren in a Lodge of Instruction which was apparently relished. This Lodge is in a good financial position, but its increase in numbers is not rapid, owing, I have no doubt, to the fact that considerable sectarian opposition exists in the neighborhood.

On Thursday, June 9th, I visited Golden Star Lodge, No. 101, Brampton, and enjoyed the kindly hospitality of this respected Lodge. The brethren gave evidence of interest in the evening's work. I regret to say the membership has not increased of late, although other societies seem to prosper in the town. Several of the Streetsville members were present.

Friday, June 10th, found me at Streetsville Lodge, No. 122, by invitation, where was held a Lodge of Instruction. I believe that interest will be awakened among the members and that the Lodge will soon occupy a foremost place, to which it is justly entitled. Its position financially is good, and the Lodge is in good hands. Bro. Ford, District Deputy Grand Master, was present with several members from his and neighboring Lodges.

On Tuesday, June 14th, I was tendered a reception by Naomi Rebekah Lodge at Windsor, where I hold membership. My visit was a most pleasant one. The Degree team, captained by Bro. Bushel, initiated a candidate in a manner which elicited much applause. Hester Rebekah Lodge, of Detroit, visited in a body, and Woodslee Rebekah Lodge, No. 55, sent a large deputation.

On Wednesday, June 15th, in response to an invitation. I met the District Committee of Essex District at Leamington. Several reports of a most interesting character were presented, showing that the Lodges in this district were in good condition. All the Lodges excepting Frontier were present. In the evening I was tendered a reception in the Town Hall, when an address by the Mayor was presented, also one by Leamington Lodge, No. 140, one by District Deputy Grand Master Bro. Meadows on behalf of the District, and one

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by Sister Stairs on behalf of the Rebekah Lodges in the District. A very excellent musical and literary programme was carried out to the evident enjoyment of the large company. The reception accorded me in this Odd Fellows' locality could not be excelled.

On Thursday, June 16th, I complied with an invitation to visit Concord Lodge, No. 142, at Kingsville. One candidate was initiated by the Degree team of this Lodge in a manner which called forth a complimentary reference. After the work of the evening was over the brethren who came from Beaver Lodge, No. 82; Concord Lodge, No. 142; Enterprise Lodge, No. 218; Rose Lodge, No. 28; and Harrow Lodge, No. 309 were entertained at a banquet, and all retired agreeing that this was another red-letter day for Odd Fellowship.

On Friday evening, June 17th, I visited Harrow Lodge, No. 309. The Degree team of that Lodge put on the Initiatory Degree and showed much skill in conferring the same upon a candidate. Members from the different Lodges in the District were again present at this third meeting and evidenced the same enthusiasm as upon former occasions. Here again I received a most cordial reception by the brethren who turned out in such numbers as to tax the hall to its full capacity. To Bros. Ryal, Prosser, Stairs, Auld, M.P.P., Pulford, and District Deputy Grand Master Meadows the success of the Order in this District is greatly due.

On Tuesday, June 21st, I had the pleasure of attending the District Committee meeting of Harriston District. The session as in other cases was advantageous to the Order, and no dissenting voice was heard against the continuance of the present system.

In the evening I visited Listowel Lodge, No. 160, in response to an invitation. One candidate was initiated by the Lodge team, which showed good training and elicited applause. The District, which was largely represented by Minto, Britannia, Grey, Clifford and Gordon Lodges, presented an address to the Grand Master. Members from Pt. Elgin were also in attendance. The evening's work was instructive and many took part in the discussion. A banquet at the Imperial brought a pleasant evening to a close.

Wednesday, June 22nd, found me at Southampton Lodge, No 325. This Lodge is but a year old, and it is interesting to know that it had five candidates for initiation for the evening. A team was improvised and the work creditably performed. Prior to this not much work had been done since the institution. It is not a profitable investment to institute lodges and leave them entirely alone, especially when the Charter members are not well up in the work. I enlisted the sympathy of Denovo Lodge, No. 170, which will give this young Lodge some assistance.

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On Thursday June 23rd, according to arrangement, I visited Clifford Lodge, No. 214. After the adjournment a pleasant social time was spent at the Town Hall by the Odd Fellows and their lady friends, when a programme of speech, recitation and song was enjoyed. The members of this Lodge I believe have the true idea of Odd Fellowship. I would encourage this excellent Lodge to increase its attention to ritual work and thereby induce more activity among the members.

On Friday, the 24th of June, I visited Grey Lodge, No. 169, Durham, when three Degrees were conferred upon the several candidates, and two propositions were in for consideration. This Lodge has lately taken on a new lease of life, resulting, I believe, from the prospects of this visit. The evening was most profitably spent, and a number of the brethren from Garnet Lodge, No. 149, Mt. Forest, were present and assisted. The early dawn brought our night's work to a close. I found in Bro. Irwin, editor of *The Chronicle*, an old schoolmate, who will, I am sure, give increased attention to his Lodge.

On Tuesday, 28th of June, I attended the District meeting of St. Clair District, No. 14, and the activity of the members was satisfactory, all seeming to manifest great interest in the work I presented to them. In the evening I visited Sarnia Lodge, No. 126, and a large attendance of members and visitors from St. Clair Lodge; No. 106 and other places were present.

On Wednesday evening, June 29th, I was present at a meeting of Our Sisters Rebekah Lodge, No. 77, at Pt. Edward. Bro. O'Neil, the Captain of the team, continues to manifest a lively interest in the work of the Order. The brethren at Pt. Edward are giving this branch of the Order their support. I greatly appreciated the exemplification of this beautiful Degree by the home team.

On Thursday, June 30th, I visited Colfax Lodge, No. 28. This is the home of the President of the Rebekah Assembly, Mrs. Luscombe, and the support accorded to her in her Lodge is justly merited. The Degree team of this Lodge has upon several occasions assisted other Lodges in the work, which they exemplified in a manner that denotes careful training and close application to the work in hand. It is my belief that it is the duty of Grand Lodge to foster this branch of Odd Fellowship, and hence upon several occasions I have been enabled to give it some attention and support.

On Wednesday, July 6th, I proceeded to Thorold where I visited Livingstone Lodge, No. 130. The membership of this Lodge, though small, is apparently of the best material in the town, and I was glad to have the opportunity of trying to arouse the membership

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to more activity. The apparent discouragements seem to be that other societies are striving for an existence. A goodly contingent from Union and Empire Lodges, St. Catharines, accompanied by Bro. McIntyre, Past Grand Master, assisted to enliven the evening's proceedings. I am not convinced that members cannot be added to this Lodge, but I cannot say that I was encouraged to hope for brighter days. Their incoming depends upon one or two members.

On Thursday, July 7th, I visited Cataract Lodge, No. 133, and the brethren certainly vied with one another for my entertainment. The activity manifested is very apparent in this Lodge. One candidate was initiated in a very creditable manner. The brethren took great interest in the work and seized the opportunity to learn. One of the most interesting features of the evening was the presentation of a Veteran Jewel to Bro. Newman. After refreshments and addresses by District Deputy Grand Master House and others, the evening's work was brought to a close. My thanks are due to Bro. Captain Carter, of the Maid of the Mist, and members of Cataract Lodge for many favors.

On Friday, July 8th, I visited Caledonia Lodge, No. 253, and met with a very warm and kindly reception. My visit to this Lodge was greatly needed, as errors had crept into the working, which would certainly affect the life of the Lodge. The members only appreciate the Order at its true worth when its teachings, practices, and principles are strictly adhered to. And in order that this result may be obtained, greater activity with a view to obtaining a knowledge of its workings and its merits is necessary to an existence. When a Lodge fails the loss falls upon the individual members and not upon the Order. Who desires to sustain loss?

On Monday, July 11th, by arrangement I visited Chorazin Lodge, No. 190, London. The members having understood that the visit was to be made a week hence, only gave an average attendance. But the evening was profitable to the active members. District Deputy Grand Master Avery installed the officers, assisted by his team from Howard Lodge. No. 28.

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On Thursday, July 14th, I visited Elora and assisted in the Decoration services in the afternoon. Brethren from Guelph, Fergus and Drayton were present. The general public attended in large numbers and were evidently impressed with the proceedings.

In the evening I attended the regular meeting of Elora Lodge, and to me it was a renewal of old acquaintances and happy friendships. Having been at the birth of this Lodge and assisted it during its period of infancy, I felt an especial pleasure in meeting the members and was accorded a most fraternal reception. The

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gathering was large and representative of that section of the District, and everyone feeling that he had enjoyed a happy re-union.

On Thursday, 21st of July, I was present at a meeting of Argyle Lodge, No. 212, Napanee. This Lodge has good quarters and an elegant outfit, but the working regalia should be improved.

On Friday, July 22nd, I visited Ontario Lodge, No. 324, Pickering. I might say I have not spent a more pleasant evening than in the hospitable quarters of this young Lodge. There was a good representation of the members from Brougham Lodge, No. 155, many of whom were among the acquaintances of my youth. The interest manifested by the brethren was of the most encouraging kind. Among the membership is to be found young, enthusiastic men who I have no doubt will prove themselves able to lead the Lodge along to great prosperity.

On Monday, July 25th, accompanied by our esteemed Grand Secretary, Bro. King, Bro. Campbell, Past Grand Sire, and E. Beltz, Treasurer of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I attended the funeral of our late esteemed brother, Angus C. Stewart, who for many years had been the appointee by various Grand Masters to the position of Grand Auditor. The suddenness of his death has called forth deep expressions of sympathy for his bereaved widow and family. The funeral was largely attended, and the many floral offerings all told of the great respect in which our late brother was held. Grand Sire Campbell and myself took charge of the ceremony at the grave, the brethren from his own and the city Lodges paying their last sad tribute of respect.

Having performed the above named duties I proceeded to Tilsonburg upon request and visited Otter Lodge, No. 50. The Degree team conferred the Second and Third Degrees in a very creditable manner. Many of the members showed that they had not forgotten the instructions received at the hands of one of the great masters of our ritualistic work. Otter Lodge in every sense is progressive, and is deservedly recognized for its high standing. The attendance was very large and representative of the intelligence of the town. I am thankful for the unlimited courtesy and hospitality which I enjoyed. Bro. Geddes, Grand Marshal, and Bro. A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative, were also present and contributed to the entertainment of the evening.

On Tuesday, July 26th, I proceeded to Delhi, accompanied by the above named brethren and Bro. Harry Scott, the Captain of the Otter Lodge Degree team, and instituted Prosperity Lodge, No. 329, the Degree team of Otter Lodge arriving in the evening and conferred the several Degrees upon the various candidates. The

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work was done in a faultless manner, and the new Lodge was ushered into existence with the brightest hope that its name would be a harbinger of its record.

On January 20 I visited Shelburne and instituted Strathcona Lodge, No. 326, assisted by Bro. Joseph Powley, the Degree Staff of Erin Lodge doing the work in an acceptable manner, while I officiated as Noble Grand. The new Lodge has exceptionally bright prospects for a large membership and useful and influential career. The roll now numbers 41.

At Markdale on January 21 I instituted Saugeen Lodge, No. 327, the Degree Staff of Owen Sound Lodge, No. 180, putting on the work in excellent form. I have no doubt as to the future success of this Lodge. Bro. Jos. Powley rendered efficient service.

III.—SUSPENSION FOR N.P.D.

When we look over the Lodge rolls we become distressed to know that so many members fall by the wayside by reason of non-payment of dues, and one is tempted to ask the question, Why? Is it because the member has lost interest in the Order and love for the institution, its principles, and its teachings? And upon questioning the delinquent the answer comes No, and the impression gains ground that carelessness has been the only cause. This being the case would it not be profitable to introduce into the Lodge a more active business management? The By-laws of the Lodges set forth: "That it is the duty of the Financial Secretary to charge and collect the dues," and in every case where the Secretary puts this into operation, suspensions are reduced to a minimum. It is not enough that Secretaries receive reward for services unless they are faithfully performed.

IV. - DISPENSATIONS.

Two Lodges have suffered loss by fire, viz:—Alvinston Lodge No. 203, which occurred in January, and Orient Lodge, No. 134, Welland, on June 22nd. In both cases the Charter and effects were burned. Upon requests I issued dispensations to enable these Lodges to continue their work. I understand there was some uncertainty as to the recovery of insurance moneys. A new list of supplies was sent to both Lodges.

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V.—COMMITTÈES.

The following Committees were appointed during recess:— On Laws of Subordinates:—W. A. Rawlings, St. Catharines; D. Robertson, St. Catharines; W. Amor, Hamilton.

On General Purposes:—Bros. W. F. Mountain, Toronto; W. J. McCormack, Grand Treasurer; and J. B. King, Grand Secretary.

Advisory Committee on Odd Fellows' Relief Association:—W.

S. Given, Millbrook; J. T. Osborne, Belleville; H. J. Guppy, Ottawa.

**Committee on Dues and Benefits, reappointed:—Bros. R. Meek,
Kingston; Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Sire, London; W. J. Vale,
Toronto; F. Smoke, Paris; and W. Warnock, Aylmer.

Committee on Districts: -W. J. Cruickshank, Weston; J. Powley, Kingston, J. R. Oliver, Woodstock.

Auditor: - Bro. A. C. Stewart, London.

Upon the death of Bro. Stewart, I appointed Bro. Abner Fraser, Past Grand Patriarch, Hamilton, to the position. Bro. Fraser's experience as an accountant will be valuable to the Grand Lodge.

VI. -DEDICATIONS.

The Dedication of the Hall of Beacon Dodge, No. 201, at Pt. Colborne, took place on Wednesday, January 12th, the ceremony being performed by Past Grand Master McIntyre, of St. Catharines.

On Friday, January 14th, I dedicated Tecumseh Lodge, Otterville. The interest manifested in the ceremony by the large and select company was inspiring, and this progressive Lodge is to be congratulated upon its possession of excellent quarters.

VII.—THE ONTARIO ODD FELLOWS HOME.

On December 14th, 1897, I approved the issue of a circular to the Lodges over the signature of Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Sire, as Chairman of the Home Committee. (Appendix A.)

VIII.—FLESHERTON LODGE, NO. 186.

On Tuesday, January 18th, I visited Dufferin Lodge at Flesherton. This Lodge has been in a low condition for some time, but I considered it was not necessary to withdraw its Charter or remove the Lodge to Markdale. It has existed under great hardships, and the brethren of that Lodge should be given not only encouragement, but assistance. It has upon its rolls two brothers whose cases no doubt are chronic, and the membership has been persistently

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carrying relief to one of them until all hopes of success had vanished, and the treasury had become exhausted. After a considerable correspondence a meeting was agreed upon and a candidate initiated. I then discussed the Lodge's position, and one and all resolved to do his utmost. I have pleasure in reporting that four candidates have been initiated and three reinstated, which gives the best evidence that the brethren are faithfully trying to carry out pledges given. The two brothers referred to, have out of sympathy for the Lodge and having a strong desire to retain membership in the Order, declared themselves off the sick list, although they are permanent invalids. I have no doubt that these two members would be willing to apply for non-beneficial membership, There is a balance due on last year's per capita tax—\$11.75—which I would recommend Grand Lodge to cancel.

'IX. - CHANGE OF NAME.

A candidate was initiated in Cataraqui Lodge under the name of George Bristow, Bristow being the name of his step-father. The brother's real name is George Robinson, and he now desires to be knrun as George Robinson, and requests that his name on Grand Lodge rolls be changed from Bristow to Robinson.

The general law as set forth in White's Digest, section 230, directs that this is a proper subject for local legislation, and action thereon by the Grand Lodge is requested.

X.-LODGE REPRESENTATION.

In this grand body there were last session 97 more members than there were Lodges represented, some Lodges sending two, and some three Representatives. This results in a wasteful expenditure of Lodge funds without any adequate advantage. The principle should be, ONE LODGE, ONE VOTE, and I believe it will be generally conceded, upon due consideration, that the vote of a representative coming from a weak Lodge will not prejudically affect the standing of a stronger Lodge and vice versa. Besides the simple method will facilitate the registering of the vote of this grand body.

XI. - SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

(1) Committee on Districts .-

A resolution appears in the Journal, page 6649, authorizing the incoming Grand Master to appoint a Special Committee to prepare a report and submit the same to each subordinate Lodge prior to next session, what action is necessary to increase the utility of the District system.

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The appointment of one committee to perform the duties assigned by the aforesaid resolutions was considered all that was necessary, thereby saving some expense.

(2) Committee on Dues and Benefits.

Early in the year I communicated with the Chairman of last year's Committee on Dues and Benefits re the compilation of a report as authorized by the resolution of Bro. Amor, and adopted. Journal, 1897, page 6,579.

In reply I was informed that the Committee considered itself discharged by the said resolution. It was then deemed necessary that the instructions of Grand Lodge embraced in the said resolution should be carried out, and I accordingly submitted the same to the Actuary with the final result that a new set of questions was submitted to him, and which appear on page 8 of the Report.

Upon further consideration I believed it was not the intention of Grand Lodge to discharge the Committee, and therefore appointed it so that no loss of time nor failure to carry out the will of this Grand Body would result. I ask your approval of this act.

XII.—GRAND LODGE CARDS.

In the Report of the Grand Secretary will be found a list of members of defunct Lodges, to whom have been issued Grand Lodge Cards upon proper application and the payment of the required fee of \$1.

XIII.—REBEKAH DEGREE LODGES.

The following Rebekah Degree Lodges have been instituted during the year:

Endeavor Lodge, No. 57, Forest, instituted by the President Mrs. Luscombe, November 2nd. Bro. Findlay Chalk was appointed District Deputy Grand Master of Endeavor Lodge.

Carnation Lodge, No 58, was instituted by myself at Wallaceburg, on Thursday, December 16th, 1897. I appointed Bro. Dr. Mitchell, District Deputy Grand Master.

Primrose Lodge, No. 59, was instituted by the Grand Master on Friday, April 15th, at Dundas. I placed this Lodge under the care of Sister M. A. Stoddart, District Deputy for Justitia Lodge, No. 38, Hamilton.

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Triple Link Lodge, No. 60, was instituted at Petrolea by the President of the Rebekah Assembly on August 4th.

It is requested that Charters be issued to these several

I have been greatly disappointed upon learning that some members of Subordinate Lodges have not only failed to assist in this branch of Odd Fellowship, but have made efforts to seriously impede its progress. This is not my idea of loyalty to the institution.

XIV.—UNIFORM ADMISSION FEES.

To my mind it is of the utmost importance that a system of uniform admission and degree fees be adopted for Subordinate Lodges. Under the existing system a ruinous practice of competition among Lodges in the same town or city has obtained, and in some cases it is working ruin to Lodges by inducing competition and destroying harmony.

XV.-LODGE RETURNS.

It has been my privilege to examine the books and returns of many Lodges, and in several cases a great lack of knowledge by the officers is painfully apparent. A proper set of books is not kept, and it would be absolutely impossible to show how the conclusions in making out the semi-annual returns were arrived at. Upon examination of these returns one would feel safe in saying that the auditors had signed the same without having made an audit of the books. Defunct Lodges are the blossoms, buds and products of careless and incompetent officers which produce the first and most reliable indications of failure of a Lodge. Therefore, when a return gives evidence of bad preparation it should be returned to the Lodge for correction that the officer may be instructed, for unless the semi-annual returns are correct, our statistics are of little value.

XVI. - PROCLAMATION.

The usual proclamations for the observance of the celebration of the 79th Anniversary of our Order, and for Decoration Day, were issued to all the Lodges. I am pleased to know, that Lodges generally are adopting these means of binding the Brotherhood more closely together, and teaching the principles of Odd Fellowship. It has been my privilege to take part in these proceedings on several occasions. A detailed report will be found elsewhere

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XVH -- UNIFORM BY-LAWS.

It is most desirable that an improved system should be adopted by means of which a greater uniformity in Lodge laws will be secured, and I believe that a demand for this improvement is very general. The present system entails a vast amount of labor on the part of the Grand Master and Committee on Laws of Subordinates, not to speak of the unsatisfactory results obtained and large waste of money.

By adopting a uniform system of admission and Degree fees, dues and benefits, duties of officers, management of funds, duties of committees, and all other kindred matters, the work of the Committee would be more easily performed. And such a system, which should be made constitutional, would secure to the membership a greater stability and give greater satisfaction.

The few provisions necessary, respecting purely local matters, might be defined in the by-laws. Under such a system Grand Lodge could arrange to print the Constitution in large quantities at a trifling cost compared with the present cost, and sell to Lodges as other supplies. Newly instituted Lodges would be especially favored and reap special benefits thereby. As it is now there are few Lodges which have by-laws that do not contain illegal provisions by their having sent on from time to time amendments to the Committee for adoption, and which amendments, though legal in themselves, were contradictory of provisions already existing, and which the Committee on Laws of Subordinates knew nothing. This is especially the case with respect to the by-laws recommended by the Advisory Board which contain different laws respecting the time dues were made payable.

XVIII. - GRAND L'ODGE SOLICITOR.

Agreeably to the instruction of Grand Lodge Report No. 10-page 6581, JOURNAL, and after due consideration, the appointment of Bro. R. K. Cowan, Past Grand of Dominion Lodge No. 48, London, and local Master in Chancery, was made as Grand Lodge Solicitor, who very kindly accepted the retainer fee mentioned in the resolution to cover all the services which he would be called upon to render, in the ordinary course, until the end of the present calendar year, if his services be retained.

XIX .- OFFICIAL HISTORY.

It was my pleasure, upon due consideration, to give permission to Bro. L. C. Hascall, President of the Fraternity Publishing Co., of Boston, Mass., to issue a circular to the lodges of this jurisdiction

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respecting the Official History of our Order. At the last session of Sovereign Grand Lodge, this excellent work which had been prepared by the ablest members of our Order, was endorsed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge as "Official." As our own Past Grand Sire Campbell is one of the editors, this history should be the more highly appreciated by this Grand Jurisdiction

XX. - CASES OF DISPUTED BENEFITS SETTLED.

The following cases of Disputed Benefits (the first three o which were pending at last session) have, I am pleased to say, been adjusted either by correspondence with the interested parties or by conferences held by myself. Threatened litigation has therefore been avoided

Parker v. Hayden Lodge, No. 152. Thompson v. Warriner Lodge, No. 75. Reid v. Ahiram Lodge, No. 205. White v. Saxon Lodge, No. 121. Hood v. Carleton Lodge, No. 240.

XXI. -- COURT OF APPEAL DECISIONS.

Baker vs Forest City Lodge. Parkhouse vs. Dominion Lodge.

These cases were in the Court of Appeal as reported at last Session of the Grand Lodge, and judgments were in due course given in favor of defendant Lodges, thereby definitely establishing the right of a Lodge to reduce the amount of the sick benefits payable to a member while in receipt of the same.

XXII.—DISTRICT COMMITTEE RESOLUTIONS.

Essex District, No. 1.

Resolved:—That a committee be appointed from the Grand Lodge to commend some scheme that will successfully maintain our position and meet the opposition from Organizers.

Resolved:—That the reduction of age of admission to membership to eighteen years is desired, and that the Representatives to Grand Lodge be instructed to use their influence to this end.

Bothwell District, No. 3.

Recommends:—That the Grand Lodge so amend the District System so as to allow all D.D.G.M's. to be recommended by the Representatives to Grand Lodge at a special meeting called by them for that purpose, and that they also be

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Otter District, No. 5.

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Approves of the practice of the delegates of each Lodge in the District giving a report as to its funds, membership and other matters of interest. This District unanimously resolved that the system of District Committees was good and should be continued.

Niagara District, No. 8.

Plans were adopted with a view to assisting the two weak Lodges, and also to make the District Committee of some value to the District and its Lodges.

Brant District. No. 10.

The feeling of all present seemed to be opposed to the continuance of the District System, the reason being that it is expensive without adequate results, and that it does not tend to lessen the burden of correspondence with the Grand Master.

Royal City District, No. 17.

Favors the election of District Deputy Grand Master by Representatives of the Grand Lodge convened at the Grand Lodge.

Recommends:—That every Lodge in the jurisdiction during the term prepare a programme of questions to be brought to the Annual District Meeting, which would afford material for discussion.

District No. 18.

Resolved:—That we oppose the separation of Oakville Lodge, No. 132, at Oakville, from Credit District, No. 18, as provided for by the Committee on Districts, unless the District be distributed as follows: Oakville and Milton be attached to Hamilton, Streetsville and Brampton to Toronto, and Georgetown and Acton to Royal City District; if, however, it will be to the best interest of

and Acton to Royal City District; it, nowever, it will be to the best interest of the Order we shall not oppose the distribution, but we do not recommend it. Resolved:—That this District Meeting in annual session approve of the system of representation by Subordinate Lodges to Grand Lodge by which only one representative from each Lodge be sent, but that each representative shall have as many votes in the Grand Lodge as each Lodge has representatives under the

Resolved:-That the Grand Lodge session be held at some central point, and would recommend Hamilton or Toronto.

District No. 10.

Resolved:-That the Grand Lodge be urged to recognize the position o Past District Deputy Grand Master.

Resolved:-That in the opinion of this Committee it is advisable that the By-laws of Grand Lodge be amended, so that a quorum at a District Meeting shall be a majority of Lodges represented.

Resolved—That this Committee memorialize the Grand Lodge to instruct.

its Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge to secure such legislation from that body as will simplify the present cumbersome method of conducting the

trial of a brother who may be charged with any offence against the laws of our Order which he may have been guilty of when not residing within the jurisdiction of his own Subordinate or Grand Lodge, or in other words to secure what is known in Civil Courts as a change of venue, so that the trial may be held by a Subordinate Lodge in the jurisdiction where the offence occurs, at least to the extent of taking evidence and transmitting the same under seal to the Lodge of which the brother may be a member.

Resolved:—That we support the recommendation of the Grand Secretary re the formation of a Central Fund; out of which shall be paid sick benefits to members sick continuously for over one year, and a sum at death not to exceed \$200.

District No. 22.

Resolved :- 1. That in the opinion of this District Meeting the present District System should be preserved.

2. That we recommend a District fund be established and Delegates and

the D.D.G.M. be paid actual necessary expenses from such fund.
3. That in the opinion of this District Meeting some means should be provided so that the D.D.G.M. shall be in attendance at Grand Lodge, and suggest he be appointed from among Representatives at the Grand Lodge, on the recommendation of the Representatives of the Lodges in the District.

District No. 36.

Recommends:—That District Deputy Grand Masters visit Lodges at least twice in a term, once besides the night of installation, as upon such occasions he does not see the Lodges in their normal condition, and is therefore not in a position to judge of their efficiency. This District favors the promotion of the interests of our Order by the efforts of Grand Officers specially fitted to perform such work, such officers to be paid for their services. A mention has been made of an opening for new Lodges at Newburg and Seeley's Bay. The Finance Committee approved of the per capita tax of 4 cents per member for expenses. The Committee took on action respecting the Odd Fellows' Home, but is seeking further information.

District No. 37.

Resolved: - That this District Meeting is in favor of the representation to Grand Lodge being on the basis of one Representative from each Lodge, which should be entitled to the same number of votes as a Lodge now has under the present system.

XXXIII. - NEW LODGES.

It has been my pleasant duty to be at the institution of four new Subordinate Lodges. In each case the locations were desirable and I believe their success is assured. The request is made that Grand Lodge grant a Charter to each.

1. Strathcona Lodge, No. 326, at Shelburne, in Dufferin County, instituted Thursday, January 20th, 1898.

2: Saugeen Lodge, No. 327, at Markdale, in the County of Grey, instituted Friday January 21st, 1898.

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3. Underwood Lodge, No. 328, at Underwood, in Bruce ('ounty, instituted February 24th, 1898.

4. Prosperity Lodge, No. 329, at Delhi, in the County of Norfolk, Tuesday, July 26th, 1898.

These Lodges have been placed in the several Districts as follows:

Strathcona Lodge in Dufferin District No. 21. Saugeen Lodge in Georgian Bay District No. 26. Underwood Lodge in Lucknow District No. 24. Prosperity Lodge in Otter District No. 5.

XXIV .- ODD FELLOWS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION.

I had the pleasure of visiting in my official capacity the Annual Meeting of the Relief Association held at Kingston on July 20th. The greatest interest was manifested, by a large gathering of many of the most prominent members of the Order from Ontario and Quebec, in the affairs of this valuable auxiliary of our Order, assisting, as it is, the Lodges not only in Ontario, but throughout the greater part of the Dominion of Canada, to maintain their position and successfully compete with societies whose prominent feature is Life Insurance. I am impressed with the belief that were it not for the advantages offered by this Association to the membership of our Order, the want would be severely felt. And as the Association is being conducted under such careful management, economical and wise government, I feel that it should be earnestly supported by every member of the Order. Substantial progress was made during the past year and a large sum added to the Reserve Fund. The Association has made another forward movement by unanimously extending to the Sisters of the Rebekah Degree Lodges, the privilege of becoming members, thereby securing insurance to the extent of \$1,000.

XXV.-APPEALS.

The following cases have been handed to me for presentation to Grand Lodge:

Minto Lodge No. 98 vs. District Committee No. 22. J. T. Johns vs. D.D.G M. Abbott, Ottawa District. McKnight vs. Tecumseh Lodge No. 192.

Heywood vs. Tecumseh Lodge No. 192. W. H. Shaw vs. decision of Lily Lodge No. 211, re By-laws. Niagara Falls Lodge No. 53 vs. decision of G.M. re jurisdiction

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W. L. Moore vs. Ottawa Lodge, No. 224

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XXVI. - DECISIONS.

During the year a great many questions were submitted, a number of which were easily answered by a simple refere ce to the published law, and which I have not considered it necessary to report upon.

The following are submitted for your consideration:

1. Question - Is a first sitting Past Noble Grand of a Rebekah Degree Lodge eligible to act as District Deputy Grand Master?

Answer—Yes. A first sitting Past Noble Grand could not be any person but one who had served as Noble Grand to the end of a term.

2. Question—Is it legal for a Subordinate Lodge to pass a By-law to institute a Nurse Fund and levy a special rate on each member for that purpose?

Answer—Yes. A Lodge may provide by By-law for the institution of any special fund to carry out any of the benevolent purposes contemplated by the Order.

Question—Can a Lodge take the Charter and go to a neighboring village and open a Lodge meeting for the benefit of members living there?

Answer -No.

- 4. Question—Has a member of a Rebekah Lodge who resigned her membership a right to a Dismissal Certificate?

 Answer—No.
- 5. Question—Is a member eligible to receive a Visiting Card for use in another jurisdiction when not entitled to benefits in his own Lodge during the first six months of his membership, his dues having been paid to cover the period for which the card was asked, and the Bro. being free from all other di abilities?

Answer—Yes, an endorsation on the Card stating that he could not become entitled to benefits until the expiration of the probationary period being necessary.

6. Question—Can a Lodge devote any of its funds towards furnishing a room to be known as the I.O.O.F. ward in a public institution?

Answer—Yes, if the ward is to be for the use of members of the Order exclusively.

7. Statement—A candidate is proposed for membership, his proposition being accompanied by the fee of \$2.00, but there was no

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medical certificate presented with the proposition. He now asks to withdraw the application.

Question—Is he entitled to receive back the fee?

Answer—Clause 3, Constitution of Subordinates, provides that every application for membership must be accompanied by a certificate of good health. The application, therefore, is not complete without such certificate, and the applicant is entitled to withdraw his application and receive back the fee.

8. Question—Can a Veteran Jewel be granted to a brother who has not yet been a member of the Order for twenty-five years?

Answer.—No. The twenty-five years must be fully completed.

9. Question—Is it legal to declare an officer elected by acclamation under our Subordinate Lodge Constitution? The Digest says

a ballot must be taken if only one candidate is in nomination.

Answer—Yes. If there be only one candidate in nomination; if more than one a ballot must be had. The provisions of the General Law, being permissive, are not in conflict with the Subordinate Constitution.

10. Statement—A candidate was initiated and took no further degrees; he has since changed his occupation to hotel keeping.

Question-Is he entitled to receive his degrees?

Answer—If the brother changed his former occupation to that of a bartender since Sept., 1895, he cannot receive any further degrees. If he be a hotel keeper but not a bartender he may be advanced. No member of the Order since the law known as the Fifth Amendment was enacted, can enter upon the occupation of a bartender without exposing himself to the penalty of expulsion from the Order.

11. Question—Can the members of a Rebekah Degree staff wear their robes in the presence of the D.D.G.M. and District Committee as an exhibition drill and give the floor movements of the Degree?

Answer—No, except all parties present are members in good standing in a Rebekah Lodge, and the door should be under the control of proper Guardians.

12. Statement—A member having been under suspension for non-payment of dues for more than five years, desires to resume active membership. What admission fee shall he be charged, and can he be charged for Degree fees?

Answer—He may be admitted for the price of one year's dues or for the fee chargeable to a candidate of his age, as the By-laws may provide. He could not be required to pay Degree fees the

second time. His application must be accompanied by a medical certificate, and submit to a ballot the same as a candidate for initiation.

13. Question-How can a member who has been suspended

for non-payment of dues be admitted into another Lodge?

Answer—A member suspended for non-payment of dues is still a member of his Lodge, White's Digest section 715, 1611. He must therefore sever his connection with his Lodge by either obtaining a Dismissal Certificate or a Withdrawal Card, which he may deposit in the other Lodge.

14. Statement - A member of Merlin Lodge in good standing bought a hotel in 1896. He did not attend his own bar but acted as foreman for a mill company. He lived in the hotel and had a bar-tender. When the Lodge learned of the action of the S.G.L. with respect to bar-tenders it struck the brother's name from the roll and returned him the unused portion of his dues from the time he was dropped, supposing he was not qualified to hold membership.

Question—Has the action of said Lodge in the premises been

constitutional?

Answer—No, the record does not show that the brother was by occupation a bar-tender. The Lodge has the right to notify the brother that he is still a member of his Lodge.

15. Question—Should the Recording Secretary include in the Lodge minutes the substance of a brother's remarks?

Answer-No.

Decision—A committee which fails to do its duty may be discharged by the authority who made the appointment.

16. Statement—A member of a Lodge was granted a With-drawal Card although said member had not paid any dues for several years, and was not suspended. He is a non-resident and has undertaken to institute a Lodge outside of this jurisdiction.

Question—What course should be adopted?

Answer—The Withdrawal Card was illegally granted and the brother should be made acquainted with the fact.

17. Statement—A member died without dependent relatives, a Lodge owed him \$50.00 at the time of his death for sick benefits. To whom should the sick benefit and funeral benefit be paid?

Answer—(1) The sick benefits should have been paid to the member as they accrued weekly. The money became an asset to his estate at his death.

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funeral expenses, and must be paid only to the widow, orphan children, or to dependent relatives, and in no case to legal representatives.

- 19. (3) The funeral expense should be devoted to the payment of the expenses of the funeral, and in the absence of a By-law to the contrary the Lodge would have the right to make the payment direct to the parties in charge of the funeral.
- 20. The membership of a brother in his Lodge does not cease by the forcing of a Withdrawal Card upon him, and the brother has a right to pay his dues and continue his membership in his Lodge.
- 21. Where only one person is in nomination for office in a Subordinate Lodge it is not necessary that a ballot be cast. The election is by acclamation, and the provisions of the general law are not in opposition to this construction.
- 22. A Subordinate Lodge whose meetings are held bi-monthly or during alternate weeks, cannot elect officers twice a year.
- 23. There is no limit of age at which candidates may be accepted for membership.
- 24. An applicant for non-beneficial membership is not required to pass a medical examination.
- 25. A funeral benefit does not begin to exist until after the member's death, and is not payable except to the widow, orphans under the age of twenty-one years, or to dependent relatives of the deceased, who must be relatives upon whom he was dependent or who were dependent upon him at the time of his death, and who were members of his family. Any claim by legal representatives as such is not recognized by the laws of our Order. Funeral expenses, on the contrary, are payable upon the death of every member qualified by the By-laws, if the family has been to the expense of the funeral.
- 26. The By-laws of a Lodge do not require the dues to be paid in advance. But the Noble Grand and Vice-Grand if in good standing would be entitled to the A.T.P.W. upon the night of installation, although their dues were not paid in advance, in order that the members of the Order or of the Lodge who became qualified, might receive such password. Such officers, however, would not be entitled to visit in a foreign jurisdiction although in possession of the A.T.P.W.
- 27. Question—If By-laws provide for a nurse in case of contagious or infectious disease, is the brother entitled to receive nurse fees when his wife was the nurse?

Answer-No.

28. Question-A member pays dues in advance previous to the expiration of the quarter from which the dues were paid. He asks for a Withdrawal Card. Is he entitled to receive back the amount of dues for the unexpired portion of the quarter?

Answer-Yes.

29. Question-Is a Lodge compelled to grant a Withdrawal Card?

Answer-No.

30. Question - Is it mandatory for a Lodge to grant a Dismissal certificate to a brother who has been under suspension for a less

period than five years?

Answer-Yes, if the Lodge refused to reinstate, not otherwise, except active membership is sought to be regained in another jurisdiction than the one in which he was suspended, the required fee of \$1.00 accompanying the application in all cases.

31. Question-How can a Lodge grant a Clearance Card to a former brother who has ceased to be a member for non-payment of dues?

Answer.—There is no condition known in our Order as "ceased membership" for non-payment of dues. Suspension of membership is intended as a means of punishment. But the brother is still a member of his Lodge and is subject to the law . in relation to discipline for unworthy conduct. A Lodge cannot grant a Clearance (Withdrawal) Card until the member becomes reinstated.

32.—Question—When an appeal goes before the District Committee how is a decision arrived at, by a vote of the Committee after discussion, or does the D.D.G.M. give a decision based upon the opinions expressed and without a vote of the Committee?

Answer-The Committee should declare its opinion by a resolution. The D.D.G.M. is the presiding officer and performs the.

duties of such officer.

33. Statement-A brother commits a criminal offence and serves a term in prison. Some months after the Lodge suspends him for non-payment of dues.

Question-Can the Lodge entertain a charge against him for con-

duct unbecoming an Odd Fellow?

Answer-Yes.

34. Question—Can a member three months in arrears speak and take part in the proceedings of the Lodge?

Answer-Yes, under rules of Order 12; but he cannot vote.

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35. Statement—A bar-tender or one who acts as hotel clerk and bar-tender is about to apply for membership. Is it legal to admit him?

Answer-No.

36. Question—Can a member who was a bar-tender at the time of suspension and who was suspended for non-payment of dues prior to the legislation respecting bar-tenders, and known as the Fifth Amendment, be reinstated?

Answer-Yes, upon complying with all the necessary forms.

37. Statement A suspended member whose dues up to the present time amount to \$25 wishes to pay up in full and become a member in good standing without further ceremony. The Lodge pays the widow the full amount of continuous dues paid by the brother. Can his request be complied with?

Answer No, although he submit to all the forms respecting new applicants. The Lodge has no right to charge up all back dues against him and restore to him and his family all the privileges which he and they would have been entitled to had he remained in

continuous good standing.

38. Question—Is is legal for the members of the Order to wear a portion of the paraphernalia in a public procession on the occasion of an Odd Fellows' demonstration?

Answer—The Laws of the Order do not permit a public display of any portion of the degree paraphernalia. Grand Sire's decision

No. 52 approved, Journal 1897.

39. Question (a)—Can a Noble Grand in a Rebekah Lodge resign in favor of the Vice-Grand and a Lodge elect such Vice-Grand to the office of Noble Grand before the expiration of the term, under the Grand Sire's decision No. 8, Journal 1896?

Answer—That decision was given as interpreting the existing law correctly. But the Rebekah code section 13 was immediately

amended, and the answer to your question will be "No."

40. Question (b)—Can such Noble Grand receive the honors of Past Noble Grand if she resigns before the end of the term?

Answer - No, resignation forfeits honors. She must serve until the end of the term, and the term does not end until the Lodge opens in regular session at the first meeting of the new term.

41. Statement—A brother was admitted to a Lodge by Card. Occasionally he had epileptic fits, which occurred during his sleep and unknown to himself, and in replying to the questions of the examining physician made incorrect statements in ignorance of his

The Committee appointed to investigate the matter recommend a return to the brother of all moneys paid into the Lodge by him, and that he be granted a Withdrawal Card.

42. Question—Can the Lodge return all moneys paid in by the brother?

Answer—No; the Lodge has no right to return any moneys received on account of said membership, degree fees or dues,

43. Question (2)—Can a Lodge grant a Withdrawal Card to

Answer-Yes, but only upon his request.

44. Question (3) Is there any way by which he can be made an honorary member?

Answer—No; honorary membership is not permitted in the Order. He may be granted non-beneficial membership by complying with the law.

45. Statement—A member of a Lodge is serving an eighteen months' term in prison. Can we receive his dues?

Answer-Yes.

46. Question (2)—Are we compelled to suspend or expel him upon the conviction of the Civil Court.

Answer—No. Charges must be regularly laid and the member receive a fair trial before suspension or expulsion can be had.

47. Statement—A candidate made application for membership, and when the ballot was taken he was black-balled. Before the fact was decided by the Lodge, a brother asked for a new ballot, and not understanding the law the Noble Grand withheld his decision until the next meeting, when he granted a new ballot with the result that it was declared clear, and the candidate elected. A member thereupon appealed to the Lodge against the decision of the chair, and the chair was sustained.

48. Question-Was the action legal?

Answer—Yes. See Clause 5, Subordinate Constitution as amended 1895. The candidate has a right to all the privileges granted by the law.

49. Question—Is it legal for a Lodge to accept an application from the holder of a Withdrawal Card who is at present employed as a bar-tender and who has not yet taken all his Degrees?

Answer (1)—A holder of an expired Withdrawal Card cannot be readmitted if pursuing the prohibited occupation.

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50. Answer (2)—If he has continuously occupied the position, and was engaged in the business prior to the S.G.L. Session of 1895, and the card is still in date, he may be accepted. If he has entered the prohibited occupation since the said session when the law known as the Fifth Amendment was enacted, he is liable to be charged and expelled from the Order.

51. Question—Can the owner of a hotel be admitted to membership in the Order?

Answer - Yes. If he is not a bar-tender by occupation, and not otherwise disqualified.

52. Question.—What is meant by disclosing the rejection of a candidate who has been black-balled?

Answer—The law respecting rejected candidates prohibits every member of the Order from giving information with respect to rejection, to any except those who are Third Degree members in good standing.

53. Statement—A member suspended for non-payment of dues, after five years asks for a Withdrawal Card. What fees should he pay?

Answer—A member having been suspended for non-payment of dues for more than five years may receive a Withdrawal Card upon the payment of the price of a card, and such sum as the By-laws may prescribe, or the price of one year's dues.

Statement—The following resolution was passed by a Lodge: "That the Relief Committee be empowered to hire a livery rig when necessary in visiting sick brothers living at a distance, limiting the expense to 75 cents per rig." The By-laws enact: "It shall be the duty of the Relief Committee to arrange that one of its members shall visit every sick brother each day, or as often as necessary and render such aid as the By-laws provide or the Lodge directs"

54. Question (1)—Can this Lodge legally pay such livery hire of the Relief Committee?

Answer - Yes.

55. Question (2)—Do our By-laws provide for such expenditure? Answer—Yes.

56. Question (3)—Is the Lodge bound by this resolution to pay such livery hire?

Answer—Yes. As the By-laws of the Lodge instruct the Relief Committee in the performance of said duties it is reasonable to contend that the Lodge may supply the means to enable the

committee to perform its necessary duties. The expenditure is for the benefit of a member.

57. No member of a Subordinate Lodge is entitled to vote or to receive the term password, if more than thirteen weeks in arrears

58. No member is entitled to the A.T.P.W. from the N.G. who has not paid his dues in advance.

59. The District Deputy Grand Master when paying an official visit to a Lodge is not entitled by right to the chair of the Noble Grand, except when visiting for installation purposes.

60. The Recording Secretary has no right to use the seal of his office upon any document except in obedience to positive instruc-

61. The duties and powers of a District Deputy Grand Master do not begin until he receives his commission, and they cease the moment his superior office retires from office as Grand Master.

62. Question-Is it legal to pay for a Lodge card in the Dominion Odd Fellow out of Lodge funds? Answer-Yes.

63. No member of a Rebekah Lodge can be elected to the chair of Past Noble Grand.

64. Question-Has a sister who resigned her membership in a Rebekah Degree Lodge a right to a Dismissal Certificate?

Answer-No. Resignation severs membership entirely, and if desiring to re-unite she must do so as an Ancient Odd Fellow.

65. Statement-A brother who is sick with typhoid fever while living at a distance of sixty miles from his Lodge, is indebted to his Lodge for the sum of \$3.00 dues.

66. Question—Is he entitled to attentive benefits? And must the Lodge hire a nurse to wait upon such sick brother? The Bylaws provide: "Whenever in the opinion of the Visiting Committee the circumstances of the case require it, they shall employ at the expense of the Lodge a competent nurse to watch with the sick brother, and shall report their action to the Lodge at the next regular meeting." A further By-law provides: "It shall not be incumbent upon any member of the committee to visit personally any brother who shall reside more than one mile from the limits of the village."

Answer-Under your By-laws he cannot claim attentive benefits, the distance being prohibitive, and it is not obligatory upon the

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Visiting Committee to hire a nurse for such sick brother. Attentive benefits do not include attendance by day-nurses or day-watchers.

- 67. A ribbon badge is not authorized to be used in lieu of Lodge Regalia at a subordinate Lodge session or in a procession, and does not fill the requirements of the law providing for funeral regalia. It would not be legal to expend Lodge funds for the purchase.
- 68. Question—Is an unsuspended member qualified to receive a Veteran Jewel, although the brother would not be entitled to receive sick benefits, as the By-laws of the Lodge read "that a member must have money to his credit on the books of the Lodge to entitle him to benefits, yet the brother is fully qualified in every other respect"?

Answer—A brother who has been a member of a subordinate Lodge or Lodges continuously for twenty-five years, and not having been suspended for any cause, has a right to a Veteran Jewel, although he may have been in arrears for dues, and thereby temporarily deprived of the right to draw benefits during sickness.

69. Question —What method should a Lodge adopt in suspending members for non-payment of dues?

Answer—No suspension for non-payment of dues is legal unless a member shall have been owing dues for fifty-two weeks. At least thirty days' notice must be given and contain a declaration of the intention to suspend. This notice would be effectual if written or printed, and delivered at his last known place of abode or business, or to be sent by registered post prepaid to the member. A record of the proceedings must be made upon the minutes.

70. It is not obligatory on a Lodge to pay sick benefits to a member who has not attained the Scarlet Degree.

 A Lodge may legally loan money on first mortgage to the wife of an Odd Fellow on property in her own right.

72. A member may take a Withdrawal Card from his Lodge and re-unite as non-beneficial member under the law and on such terms as the By-laws provide, with respect to Fees and Dues.

73. It is a violation of the Laws of the Order to use the General Fund of a Lodge to pay the deficit created through holding a picnic.

74. A Lodge has no right to use a part of its General Fund towards supplying a tent at a fall fair.

75. A Lodge cannot transfer its Widow and Orphans' Fund to

the General Fund account. Trust funds must be applied to the purposes for which they were collected.

76. The widow of a suicide who being a member at the time of his death and in good standing, is entitled to receive the funeral benefits provided by the By-laws.

77. The appropriation of moneys from the General Funds of the Lodge to public charities in no way connected with the Order, is a direct violation of the trust which Lodges have voluntarily assumed. And any disposition of said fund except for the legitimate objects of the Order cannot be recognized nor tolerated.

78. A Lodge has no right to grant special relief from its General Fund, or Widow and Orphans' Fund to the widow of a member who died in bad standing. The right to relief by a Lodge does not exist in one who is outside the Order. And any payment to such person would be a violation of our law respecting trust funds.

79. A Lodge granting a Withdrawal Card is not allowed to strike out the conditions recommending a brother to the Order. If the card was mutilated it was not a proper Withdrawal Card, and the brother would be justified in refusing it.

80. Statement—Submitted by Niagara Falls Lodge: The corporation limits of Niagara Falls and Niagara Falls South join. The Lodge room of Niagara Falls Lodge is situated at the extremity of the town farthest away from the adjoining boundary, while Cataract Lodge is situated nearer the adjoining boundary line. Cataract Lodge claims the right of jurisdiction over all candidates who live nearer the said Cataract Lodge than to Niagara Falls Lodge. Where is the line dividing the jurisdictions between these two Lodges? There formerly had been an agreement as to limit, granting Niagara Falls Lodge an advantage.

Answer.—The jurisdiction of a Lodge shall extend half way to the Lodge nearest located in any direction by the nearest traveled route. The word "jurisdiction" does not mean civic corporation, which term the Constitution does not recognize. Any agreement existing between the two Lodges contrary to the foregoing may be annulled by either Lodge upon notice. Clause 11, Sub. Con.

81. Statement—A candidate was initiated in March 24, 1870, at the age of 39. He was suspended for N.P.D. December 28th, 1882. At that time he was a bar-tender. He now seeks reinstatement under the same occupation, having been continually engaged therein. Is he eligible for reinstatement, or has he ceased membership?

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- 82. A'Creasurer's bond remains in full force upon his re-election to office, unless the bondsmen ask to be relived.
- 83. Question—A member died on May 21st, 1897. The bylaws grant \$120 Widow's Benefits to be paid in three annual instalments, the first instalment was paid on May 24th, 1897. The brother's widow died Sept., 1897, bequeathing her property to her children, all being over twenty-one years of age. 'Who is entitled to the widow's benefits?

Answer—The By-law under which the Lodge is working is not legal in respect of annual payments. The benefit to the widow should have been paid within sixty days after proof of death of the husband. The executors of the estate are the parties to whom this benefit is payable.

84. Question—Will a Lodge be justified in withhelding sick benefits from a member who lost his case in a law suit against the Lodge, the court deciding that said member was entitled to pay the costs of the suit?

Answer—No, the benefits must be regularly granted, he being otherwise qualified. But the Lodge would be justified in applying them as an off-set to the costs in the case. And after the same were fully satisfied, the member, if still on the sick list, would be entitled to receive benefits.

XXVII.-LAST YEAR'S LITIGATION.

As directed, I drew orders on the Grand Treasurer to the extent of fifty per cent. of the costs in favor of the several Lodges, when said Lodges concerned presented their account, viz.:

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XXVIII.-CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence of the office has been very heavy, but I have answered all letters promptly, and trust that no material dissatisfaction exists. Many questions have been asked which were of an unofficial character from members of the Order apparently intensly interested in the work and seeking information. I con-

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About 1,200 pages of letter-book have been filled, and a reference to the files will give some idea of the extensive labors connected with this department of the Grand Master's duties. The most discouraging feature is the delay in receiving prompt replies to correspondence. In seeking information from some weak Lodges I have entirely failed to get replies to letters sent.

XXIX. -OFFICIAL ORGAN.

There appears to be a very strong desire existing among the members for a paper devoted to the interests of the Order, and which would prove a support and an educator to the membership. Perhaps this want has been felt more during the past year than at any previous period in our history. I think the present time particularly favorable for some enterprising brother to enter upon the publication of a journal that would supply the needs and demands of our Brotherhood.

XXX.-NEEDED LEGISLATION.

The contract between the Order and each member thereof is set forth in Clause 17 of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution, and includes the Constitution, By-laws, and Rules of Order of the Subordinate Lodges; and the Constitution, By-laws, and Rules of Order of the Grand Lodge of Ontario. In order that the terms of the contract be more complete, it is suggested that said clause of the Subordinate Lodge Constitution be so amended as to include in the contract legislation by the Sourcing Cornel Lodge.

in the contract legislation by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Clause 64 Constitution of Subordinates provides—that a member interested shall have the right to appeal to the Grand Lodge within rive months from date of the action of the Lodge. Compare this with Rule 12, Procedure on Trials, which recites that a party may appeal from the decision of the Lodge within three months

from the action of the Lodge.

Compare further, Clause 104, By-laws of Grand Lodge, page clxvi. Journal, 1866. This clause provides, that District Committees shall herein determine appeals originating in any Lodge providing the appeal be sent to the District Deputy Grand Master within sixty days.

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The above conflicting directions should be harmonized.

XXXI. - MANAGEMENT OF LODGE FUNDS.

Several of my predecessors have recommended some supervision over Lodges with respect to investments made in real estate and buildings. By reason of such speculation several Lodges have been financially ruined. It seems to me reasonable that Lodges desiring to undertake large expenditures, and thereby lock up their funds to such an extent that they become crippled or unable to meet the demands for relief, should be required to obtain permission before taking such a step. While, in a sense, the funds belong to a Lodge, it is true only to a limited extent, and no Lodge should have the power to mismanage its funds.

There is another feature in connection with the management of the funds I desire to call attention to. Several Lodges in the jurisdiction, with the hope of securing a larger interest for investments than the standard monetary institutions guarantee, invest their moneys in societies like "The Farmer's Loan Company," and some, as a result, have suffered financial loss. It is for Grand Lodge to say whether such security satisfies the requirements of the law.—Clause 54 Sub. Con.

XXXII. - SPECIAL OFFICER.

Year after year my predecessors have urged the appointment of a special officer, whose duty it shall be to give his time to the supervising, instructing, and upbuilding of the Lodges, and it does appear reasonable that such advice, tendered from the best motives, and by reason of intimate knowledge of the requirements of the Order, should be accepted by this Grand body. It is a matter for sincere congratulation that the Order, in the past, has made such great progress without any effort having been put forth to maintain its position among organizations that have now become competitors and who are forcing themselves into public recognition. Where is there an institution, no matter of what kind or description, in the broad land, that does not require a Management-head? And how can this great Order, with interests so varied, laws so complex, and its internal working so intricate, hope to successfully maintain its position without some guiding, instructing, and encouraging force? The days of listlessness have gone by, and intelligent activity is demanded

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to secure successful results in every department of life's battle. It is practically impossible for a Grand Master to give a tithe of the services necessary to accomplish the desired end, as the other duties of office are quite sufficient to absorb all the time that is reasonable to demand of him. I would suggest the appointment of a Special Deputy Grand Master to perform such duties as this Grand body would require.

XXXIII.—PRINTING OF CONSTITUTIONS.

Grand Lodge, by a former resolution, resolved to print and keep for sale the Subordinate Constitutions, but as there seemed to be a general feeling that a revision of the Subordinate Constitution would soon be necessary, I thought it proper to delay further action. The question of expense was also a consideration.

XXXIV.—THE OFFICIAL CERTIFICATE.

By the action of the Sovereign Grand Lodge at its last session the official certificate has been reduced in price, enlarged in size, and been made generally acceptable to the Order, and I authorized a purchase by the Grand Secretary of one copy for every Lodge in the jurisdiction, but the Lodges have been tardy in making application for them. This inaction perhaps is the result of a desire on their part to use the old receipts, which many Lodges have, in greater or less numbers. It is unfortunate that we have a large quantity of receipt books in the Grand Secretary's office which have been legislated worthless.

XXXV.-THE HOME.

From information to hand, I believe considerable progress has been made towards educating the Order as to the needs and desirability of establishing a Home in this Province in the interests of Odd Fellowship, and a considerable sum of money has been received by the Treasurer of the Home Fund for this purpose during the year. From some quarters objections have been raised to, and arguments used against, any such undertaking, but this I believe has been the result of lack of information on the subject, and the want of knowledge as to the necessity for such an institution. The fact that so many jurisdictions to the south of us have established homes, not confining themselves to the erection of one, but several, should be sufficient to warrant the jurisdiction of Ontario to make an effort to imitate the good work being done elsewhere. In this connection the Rebekah branch has been rendering valuable service, and hence the sympathy and support of every Odd Fellow is desired for this branch of the Order.

XXXVI.—CENTRAL GUARANTEE FUND.

For many years I have advocated the establishment of a fund which would give substantial security to younger and weaker Lodges, and to other Lodges who suffer from burdens resulting from chronic cases of sickness and a high death rate. And while a general consolidation of Lodge funds is in no way desirable, and practically unobtainable, yet all must admit that in "union there is strength." Our present system has resulted in teaching the membership self-reliance, and the exercise of much wise caution in requiring that candidates for admission to the Order shall be physically sound; and the result of this careful selection has established the fact that the sickness rate in the membership of this jurisdiction has reached the remarkably low rate of only 43 per cent. of the sickness rate of members of other societies, not only in England but in this Province.

In order that the desired security be attained it would be necessary that the Lodges should work under a uniform system of dues and benefits. The duty of paying sick benefits should be imposed upon individual Lodges for a period not longer than one year, and Lodges should also pay funeral expenses out of its own funds. After a Lodge had paid benefits to a sick member for one year, such sick member should receive his benefits, paid from a Central Fund which would be provided for by a semi-annual assessment upon all the Lodges according to membership. Benefits to widows, or to dependent relatives, should also be paid from this Central Fund. By such a system the weakest Lodge would have the same security as the strongest Lodge. We are taught that "the strong should support the weak," and this system if adopted would put beyond all question the failure of a Lodge, and would establish in the minds of, not only the membership but the community at large, a sense of confidence from which the Order would reap lasting benefit. Such a system would also secure to brethren who are desirous of instituting new Lodges in locations where no Lodge Transference of membership would also be more easily accomplished. One great cause of so many suspensions resulting from non-payment of dues is the fact that when a member leaves the locality of his Lodge he ceases to visit and gradually loses interest, and finally is dropped.

Before any legislation by this Grand Body along the lines suggested can be had, permission must be received from the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and I hope that our Grand Representatives will be charged with the duty of making an earnest effort to secure the legislation which I believe is so much needed.

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XXXVII.-WEAK LODGES.

The Grand Lodge at last session adopted a resolution endorsing the opinion that the time has arrived when an extra effort should be made to increase the membership of the Order, and recommended that the Grand Master be empowered to appoint an officer whose duties shall be to visit Lodges in the jurisdiction, to assist in building up weak Lodges, to resuscitate dormant ones, and when found practicable to institute new Lodges. To carry out this resolution to the fullest extent would have entailed a larger expenditure of funds than was warranted under the circumstances. The litigation of last year as under the resolutions of last session, has resulted in a heavy drain on the treasury, and I did not feel warranted in increasing the expenditure to any considerable extent, but resolved that so far as lay in my power I would perform the work myself. While every member no doubt is desirous, and possibly a Grand Master more so, that the Order should increase, and that new Lodges be instituted in every desirable locality, I felt that it was even more necessary to give my attention to the upbuilding of weak Lodges, than to instituting new ones. I have no doubt that the increase in new Lodges could have been more than doubled had my efforts been directed to that end, but the calls became so frequent and persistent from many quarters to receive a visit, that I deemed it my duty to respond. Immediately upon the close of the harvesting season a Lodge will be instituted at Tavistock and at Burford, and there is also encouragement given for an institution at Maxville, Blythe, Stouffville, Crediton, Fenelon Falls, Seeley's Bay, Gravenhurst and other places.

Those Lodges which require immediate assistance are numbered as follows: 33, 70, 74, 92, 130, 134, 155, 156, 167, 168, 176, 177,

191, 192, 195, 232, 237, 215, 204, 253, 256, 262.

The membership of the foregoing is very small compared with what it should be, as will be seen by reference to the JOURNAL. I would suggest that a competent brother be sent to visit them and endeavor to arouse interest and awaken enthusiasm. The cause of low membership in most cases results from the members entering other societies, because of the importunity of organizers who hold out glittering inducements to the disadvantage of the member in every case where he accepts. So far as I have been able to observe, the membership in many of these Lodges have only the faintest knowledge as to how a Lodge should be conducted, and there is a consequent listlessness; and where deflections have taken place they have been caused by the desire to obtain insurance, forgetting that the Relief Association offers superior advantages. The ssessment insurance societies appoint a local agent to secure



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members, paying a substantial fee therefor. Nothing but better education as to the advantages open to membership in an Odd Fellows Lodge can hope to overcome such methods. The drift of the membership is not to be wondered at when they do not know that the cost of expense for management is only about one-third in the Relief Association of what it is in other insurance organizations, while a low fee for joining other societies forms a powerful inducement to seek membership therein.

XXXVIII.-NON-BENEFICIAL MEMBERSHIP.

Efforts were made by our Grand Representatives at the last session of Sovereign Grand Lodge to abolish the age limit in connection with non-beneficial membership. If it be desirable that members suspended for non-payment of dues be admitted to non-beneficial membership in the Order, the fifty-year age limit should be removed, otherwise the benefit of the legislation will be reduced to a minimum, because members who have been suspended for a long time, and who are physically incapacitated to qualify for beneficial membership at the age of fifty years, do not seem to be impressed with the benefits accruing to non-beneficial members. The fact is, that having been away from the Order so long, they decide to there remain.

XXXIX.-NON-AFFILIATED ODD FELLOWS.

When the general law as set forth in the legislation contained in White's Digest, clauses 615 to 619, is compared with the legislation of last year, clause 13, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, a doubt arises as to what constitutes a non-affiliate. A definition of the term is desired.

XL.-ERROR

In the legislation of last year an error crept into the compilation of the new clause 15, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, page 6,627, Journal.

The Clause as enacted is as follows:

"Clause 15. Such non-beneficial members, when so admitted, shall have no claim upon this Lodge for pecuniary or financial benefits of any kind (nor shall they be eligible for election or appointment to any office therein, nor shall they be allowed to vote for or have voice in the election of officers thereof, or upon any question involving or affecting the expenditure of lodge funds for any purpose), but in all other respects they may enjoy the same privileges as the members of the Lodge."

That part with the brackets being a contravention of the law as set forth in clause 619, White's Digest, was omitted, by my direction, in the amended constitution. The necessity being apparent, confirmation by this grand body is therefore sought.

XLI.—HOWICK LODGE, NO. 192.

Upon learning that this Lodge was in a low condition, and that irregularities existed with respect to the administration of its funds, I commissioned Bro. William Robertson, of Wingham, to visit Gorrie and make a report, which is on file for your consideration.

XLII. - DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

From reports coming to hand and correspondence had with District Deputy Grand Masters, I am led to believe that many of these officers have been faithful in performing the duties assigned them. I have also had the pleasure of meeting with a number of my Deputies in their respective Districts, and the result was satisfactory in every case. These are the men who have conferred honor upon the position, and as a result have been honoured. The Grand Master naturally looks to his Deputies for special information, and in return the Deputy should feel that he has a right to the sympathy, support, and assistance of his superior officer, and it is his privilege to map out the work needed to be done by the Grand Master in his District. Meetings among weak Lodges can be arranged for, and a general enthusiasm aroused upon such an occasion in the whole District.

XLIII.-REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

Up to this date, August 2nd, I have received only twenty-nine recommendations out of fifty-five for the position of District Deputy Grand Master for the coming year. And only comparatively few of the District Deputies have sent in a report of their district gneetings, giving a fair idea of the business transacted. It is most desirable that these officers who hold positions of honor should endeavor to be prompt in the discharge of duties so plea ant and profitable, for unless the necessary attention is given, the working of the District system will result in failure.

XLIV. - BOOKLET ON ODD FELLOWSHIP.

The little tract "What is Odd Fellowship?" has met with a very warm reception, and proved educative to its readers, and it is my opinion that the next edition should be enlarged, including instructions as to the method of instituting new Lodges, and the laws

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respecting the issuance of cards, dismissal certificates, etc. During the year I have had many applications for information in this connection, and hence a great deal of correspondence was required.

XLV .- " ASSESSMENT SYSTEM."

Clause 55 of the Subordinate Constitution enacts:—"Whenever the available cash assets of this Lodge shall be reduced below an amount equal to ten dollars for each unsuspended member, the Lodge may, either by by-law or by resolution adopted after two weeks notice, assess its members equally in a sum sufficient to increase the funds to the amount required to make up the deficiency"

In addition to this some By-laws have a provision of the same nature. In view of the fact that this law has been practically a dead letter for many years, and is the cause of our having to use the words "assessment system," I recommend that it be annulled. When Lodges wish to increase their funds the proper course is to adopt a by-law for that purpose. In support of this contention I would cite the case of a society which, having eliminated from its law provisions similar to ours in this respect, have been sustained in its contention by the Courts that it is not an "assessment society," and is consequently relieved from penalties which our Lodges are open to by reason of neglect.

XLVI.-SPECIAL WORK.

Some special work has been done by Bro. Powley, who visited the following places: Shelburne, Dundalk, Markdale, Flesherton, Pt. Burwell, Pavistock, Acton (twice), Durham, Wroxeter, Teeswater, Theoford, Watford, Newnarket, Milton, Burford (twice), and Lucan. His report, which is on file, is worthy of consideration.

XLVII.—CHANGE OF LOCATION.

In consideration of representations made to me, I granted permission for the removal of Esther Rebekah Lodge, No. 27, from Niagara Falls to Niagara Falls South. Most of the members resident at the former place had dropped their membership, and the Lodge unanimously resolved that removal was in its interests. The names of twenty candidates were promised from Niagara Falls South if the Lodge were located there. Having become previously acquainted with the circumstances, I granted them permission and ask your approval.

XLVIII. - ERIE LODGE, NO. 33.

I submit the report of D.D.G.M. Squance, in addition to information received upon the occasion of my visit to this Lodge May 26th. The Report is on file.

XLIX .- THANKS.

I desire to tender my warm thanks to Bro. J. S. Middough, D.D.G.M., Bro. W. H. Ryall, and Bro. W. Stairs, Barrister of Essex District, for special work in connection with Woodslee Lodge; to M. J. Dickie, D.D.G.M., for assisting me in matters concerning Fairy Lodge, and to the following District Deputy Grand Masters, who accompanied me several times during my official visits:—Bros. Eggman, House, Saunders, Travers, Ford, Woodley, Alex. McKay, Rankin, Wonch, J. McDonald, Middough, and D. Patterson, also Bro. A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative.

It has been my privilege and pleasure to receive the greatest kindness, consideration, and respect, and I am unable to adequately express my appreciation for courtesy accorded me during my visits, and at all other times in the discharge of my duties. And I would not forget to especially mention our esteemed Grand Secretary, who has been extremely painstaking and ever zealous in the performance of his duties, and for his thoughtfulness in considering the interests of others. From a personal knowledge acquired by reason of my more or less intimate connection with the duties of his office, I have no hesitation in saying that they are such as to demand his ever active attention. And when I say he is esteemed by every Odd Fellow in Ontario, I can assure you that I am mildly expressing the sentiment of every member in this jurisdiction. May he long be spared to fill the position he so worthily adorns.

L.—REFERENCE.

I have no information of any Lodge or Grand officers requiring the advice of our Solicitor, touching the relation of the civil law to the law of the Order, and there has been no litigation during the year.

LI.-LUCAN LODGE, NO. 70.

Having made calls at Lucan on two occasions, I was impressed with the necessity of doing something for this Lodge, and so instructed Bro. Powley when convenient to call and give the Lodge assistance. His and the District Deputy's reports are on file for consideration.

LII.-LODGE JURISDICTION.

It is evident that the provisions of the Subordinate Constitution do not harmonize with the practice of the Lodges located in a city or corporate town, in which exist two or more Lodges which are located within such incorporation. "Concurrent Jurisdiction" has generally been accepted as governing the admission of candidates in such localities, while the law provides that the jurisdiction of a Lodge shall extend half way to the Lodge located in any direction, by the nearest travelled route. As this question is causing some friction, it is hereby recommended that an amendment will be made to Clause 11, Sub. Cons. that will clearly define the powers of Lodges in this respect.

LIII.-IN MEMORIAM.

The grim reaper Death, during the past year, has visited the homes of many of our brethren, and of which I have no particular information excepting the following:-

Every member of the Order will extend fraternal sympathy to Bro. W. H. Hoyle, Past Grand Master, upon the death of an amiable and talented son;

To Bro. R. H. Perry, Grand Conductor, in the loss of his father, an old and active member of Argyle Lodge, No. 212;

To Bro. William Robertson, an enthusiastic and devoted member of Maitland Lodge, upon the death of his beloved wife.;

The awfully sudden departure on June 29th of Bro. J. W. Grote, a most active member of Empire Lodge, St. Catharines, who was stricken doin by the fell hand of death without a moment's warning, has cast a gloom over the entire jurisdiction. Bro. King, Grand Secretary, attended the funeral on behalf of the Grand Lodge.

The very unexpected death of Bro. A. C. Stewart, for many years Grand Auditor, and an old and valued member of Eureka Lodge, No. 30, London, which occurred on July 23rd, is another evidence of the "frailties of human life." \ Accompanied by Grand Secretary King, Past Grand Sire Campbell, and Grand Treasurer Beltz, of the Grand Encampment, I attended the funeral.

I deemed it my duty to extend in each case the sympathy of this great Brotherhood to the grief-stricken friends in the hour of their sorrow, and I wish to express my personal appreciation of the many tokens of sympathy which came to me under similar circumstances.

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And now, my Brethren, I am about to return to you the trust placed in my keeping a year ago. While pleasures untold have been mine to enjoy, the burdens and anxieties have been heavy to bear. I have endeavored to faithfully and honestly discharge the highly important duties of a Grand Master, for the upbuilding of the noble Order which has called us into its service. None can be more sensible of imperfections than myself, but I know that I have had the sympathy and loyal support of every member who wears the Three Links upon his heart. For me this is a sufficient reward. Let our motto always be "Odd Fellowship First," regarding our Lodge as our family, and as such it becomes a part of our daily care. Its success means our success; its failure means our distress. May all its operations enlist our most earnest support, and find in every individual an enthusiastic, devoted and loyal member, each endeavoring by his own best effort to hasten the coming of that period to which Hope looks forward with ardent joy, when one law shall bind all nations, tongues and kindreds of the earth—and that law be the law of Universal Brotherhood.

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APPENDIX A.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER.

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THAMESFORD, December 14th, 1897.

To the Recording Secretary ;

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—You are now approaching the end of the present year, and I trust it has been one of great prosperity for our beloved Order in your Lodge. The Giver of every good and perfect gift has not withheld His bounties, nor has the all-seeing eye of God failed to constantly watch over us as a Fraternity, and for His manifold blessings we all should feel thankful.

I desire to invite the earnest attention of your Lodge to the following very important matters, which I trust will receive your careful attention:

(1) The Grand Lodge, upon the report of a committee, had decided to print copies of the Constitution for purchase by Subordinates. In view of the fact that the Constitution of Subordinates may be materially altered next session, I deem it wise to delay the matter for this year. More advantage will result from the proposition when a general revision takes place.

(2) The Grand Secretary is now ready to receive orders for a Members' Ante Room Register. I may say it will be a valuable acquisition to the Lodge, showing, as it does, the names of each officer of the Lodge present, also Past Grands and visiting members.

(3) This attendance may be copied into the minutes book and the record read next night. The cost will not be more than \$1.75 for a book which will last for seven or eight years.

(4) The attention of Lodges is called to the necessity of following the law relating to the admission of candidates for a less fee than provided in your By-laws. This is illegal.

(5) I would request that all Lodges have their furnishings

properly insured against loss by fire.

(6) The officers of the Lodge should have their returns completed and ready for submission to the auditors so that the installing officer may have the opportunity of looking over the report.

(7) The Per Capita must be voted before the officers are

installed. The money and returns should be sent to the Grand Secretary direct.

The installing officer cannot install any member unless his bonds are in the hands of the Lodge. The Lodge should procure proper guarantee bonds for its Treasurer, and pay for the same.

(9) Some few Lodges have not yet obtained incorporation. A return of these dilatory Lodges will be made to Grand Lodge the coming session.

(10) I enclose herewith a circular relating to the Ontario Odd Fellows' Home, and I trust the Lodges will respond heartily. The coming Anniversary should contribute a large sum from the

(11) There are over one hundred locations where Lodges of our Order might be planted in this Province. May I ask your Lodge to send me the names of such locations in your District, and also, if possible, the name of some Odd Fellow resident therein, even if he be not in good standing.

(12) Those Lodges who have not yet obtained the new Ritual must send in their orders at once, or they cannot get the advantage

of the rebate on their old ones after January 1st next.

(13) I am advised that the officers of many Lodges are too indolent to memorize the opening and closing work, not to speak of the other ceremonies. Their attention to the unwritten work is desired. Under such conditions no Lodge can prosper, and no member should be advanced who does not show a disposition to be a worker. The elections are now at hand, and I earnestly hope that only brethren who have shown themselves to be active will secure advancement. Not enough attention is given to the study of the law as found in the Constitution and Digests. I am continually receiving questions in which there is no difficulty, and which can be answered from the written law. I am glad to be able to assist those who are seeking after Truth, but would strongly urge 1 deeper study of our law. Every Lodge should provide a new White's Digest-edition 1895.

(14) The Journal of Grand Lodge is now sent you. A study of the reports therein, and also of the report of the Representatives to Sovereign Grand Lodge is absolutely necessary to your pros-perity. You will find the Grand Representatives' Report in the Appendix to the Journal every year, and it contains the cream of the

Sovereign Grand Lodge legislation.

(15) The Veteran Jewel may be procured from the Grand Secretary, engraved as desired, for \$4.50 each. The eight-carat gold jewel is \$12. Every member who has been for twenty-five he Grand

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Grand -carat y-five years in good standing in the Order is entitled to wear a Veteran Jewel.

(16) Some Lodges have obtained an idea that badges may be worn instead of Regalia, and have illegally spent their funds for the purchase. I would direct your attention to the law in this respect.

Kindly fill out the enclosed Certificates and send them to the Grand Secretary with the return of your Lodge. When received, souvenirs will be issued by that officer.

Wishing you the compliments of the season,

Fraternally yours,

J. A. Young, Grand Master.

APPENDIX B.

Office of the Chairman of the Ontario Odd Fellows' Home Committee.

London, December, 1897.

THE ONTARIO ODD FELLOWS HOME.

Read at your first meeting.

To the Order in Ontario :

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The Board of Directors of our Home has now been duly organized, consisting of the following members: From the Grand Lodge—Bros. J. A. Young, Grand Master; J. E. Farewell, Deputy Grand Master; J. B. King, Grand Secretary; W. J. McCormack, Grand Treasurer; Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Sire; W. H. Hoyle, Grand Representative, Past Grand Master; Henry White, Past Grand Master. From the Grand Encampment: Bros. M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, and A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative. From the Rebekah Assembly; Sisters Laura E. Ryan and Charlotte Lee, Past Presidents. The following officers have been elected: Chairman, Cl. T. Campbell; Vice-Chairman, J. A. Young; Secretary, J. B. King; Treasurer, W. J. McCormack. The Home Fund is now about \$1,500, with subscription pledged for \$2,500 more.

At the request of the Board, the Grand Lodge Special Committee on the Home earnestly invite your co-operation. The Order in Ontario is now fully committed to this enterprise, and even if any doubted the advisability of beginning it, none will question the fact that our honor and reputation are concerned in carrying it to a successful issue.

We ask every Lodge and Encampment to do something on behalf of the Home this winter. By subscriptions among the members, by entertainments, by anniversary services, funds can easily be raised without placing a burden on any individual or on any Lodge. The receipts from these sources are often given to objects outside the Order. We ask you this winter to apply them in aid of our Home.

Let the proceeds of every entertainment, and the collections at the anniversary services next April, be devoted to this purpose; and by a little effort every Lodge and Encampment will be able to send a sum equal to one dollar for each member. That would give us a fund large enough to commence operations next year.

We have orphan children and aged members who need your help. Our Lodge is our family. "He that provideth not for his own hath denied the faith and is worse than an infidel."

But we expect more than ordinary contributions. In every jurisdiction where a Home is in operation, the people of the town in which it is located have given largely in money, site and buildings to secure it. In some cases these gifts have come from persons outside the Home. In one state property to the value of \$135,000, and in another to the value of \$50,000 were given by men not Odd Fellows. Are the people of Ontario less generous or less public-spirited than those of the United States? What are the cities and towns of Ontario offering for the privilege of securing the Odd Fellows' Home? It only requires that the Odd Fellows themselves should start the movement, and in many a town the citizens will cordially support them.

Contributions should sent to the Treasurer, Bro. W. J. Mc-Cormack, No. 26 Grosvenor St., Toronto; and propositions for the location of the Home to the Secretary, Bro. J. B. King, Toronto, By resolution of the Board, all contributions from Rebekah Lodges will be held by the Treasurer as a separate trust, to be used only as directed by the Rebekah Assembly.

Approved :

In Friendship, Love and Truth,

J. A. Young,

Grand Master.

CL. T. CAMPBELL, Chairman of Committee.

THAMESFORD, Dec. 14, 1897.

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APPENDIX C.

Office of the Chairman of the Ontario Odd Fellows' Home Committee London, March, 1898.

THE ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE.

To the Odd Fellows of Ontario:

Brethren,-The Grand Master has issued his proclamation, calling upon you to observe, by appropriate services, the Seventyninth Anniversary of Odd Fellowship. The Special Committee of the Grand Lodge now invite you to show your appreciation of the blessings enjoyed by the membership by utilizing the occasion in raising a thank-offering for the benefit of the Ontario Odd Fellows Home. By devoting the proceeds of Sunday collections, entertainments, and individual and lodge subscriptions, it will be possible to secure a large sum, and enable the Board of Managers to initiate proceedings for the establishment of your Home. Already a number of Lodges are waiting the invitation of the Board to tender building sites and other substantial inducements to secure the Home. And we ask you to place us in a position to avail ourselves of some one of these offers.

All over the world, where Odd Fellowship exists, Homes are established, or are being provided - except in Canada. In this Province we have aged brothers and orphan children who need our care, but who have to depend on the cold charity of those upon whom they have no claim. Will you not try to hasten the time when this reproach of neglecting our needy ones will be removed from the Odd Fellows of Ontario?

Remittances should be made to the Treasurer, W. J. Mc-Cormack. 26 Grosvenor Street, Toronto.

On behalf of the Grand Lodge Committee,

CL. T. CAMPBELL,

Approved:

Chairman, London.

J. A. Young, Grand Master.

THAMESFORD, March 26, 1898.



I.O.O.F. Hall, Parry Sound

The Grand Secretary, Bio. J. B. King, presented his Annual Report, Financial Statements, and Statistics, which were, on motion, referred to the Committee on Distribution.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

TORONTO, AUGUST 10th, 1898.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario I.O.O.F .:-

Standing at the threshold of the Annual Session of 1898 in this beautiful Town of Galt, this Manchester of Ontario, with the hum of machinery and evidences of prosperity on every hand, it seems hardly possible to realize that a year has passed since we parted at Belleville. To some the year has been one of sorrow and disappointment, but to so many of us has the year been, as it were, a joyous, glorious holiday, surrounded on every side by the kind protecting hand of a merciful God, our daily returning wants supplied in the most bountiful manner, our lives spared, our homes happy; like contented careless children we have almost forgotten the rapid flight of time, until again reminded by the happy assembling to-day of our co-laborers in this grand work, and by the hearty hand shake and cordial greetings of old friends and brothers, and the more formal introduction of those who, it may be for the first time, take their seats in Grand Lodge in the interests of their respective Lodges, all joining in a sort of roundup or stock-taking for the good of the Order, to review the past, to count up the gains and the losses, and let us hope greatly encouraged by the excellent record of duty well performed, to take fresh courage and make new resolves, to be even more faithful in the future. Gratitude to God for the manifold mercies of the past and a humble trust in His protecting care for the future, should fill the heart of every member of this vast fraternity.

It is extremely gratifying to your Grand Secretary to report that notwithstanding the heavy losses in membership from suspensions, death, &c., the results of the past half year show a net gain of 238 though the gain of the year ending 31st December, 1897, was a trifle less favorable.

As the years go by our increases each year cannot be expected to keep up to the old standard unless the Order keeps step at every turn with the advances of the day. It therefore becomes the duty of our legislators to study well the trend of current events, and by wise and well-digested legislation keep Odd Fellowship abreast of the

times at every point, and thus keep our Order in the forefront of all Benevolent Societies of the age, as it is the worthy pioneer.

The several duties imposed by routine of office or by special resolutions have been attended to with all possible despatch.

Clause 1. As promptly as possible after the close of the last session the Journal of Proceedings of 1897 were compiled, printed and issued as directed. The work was done by the Bryant Press Printing and Publishing Company to the entire satisfaction of the Committee having the work in charge.

Clause 2. Commissioners with instructions were sent to each newly appointed District Deputy Grand Master with a supply of stationery, the use of which adds a dignity to the office, which must be very gratifying. From time to time as occasion required, circulars were issued, and District Deputies and Lodges kept fully informed of all new legislation that was to the interests of the Order. Copies of all circulars issued are herewith submitted.

Clause 3. The usual exchange of Journals of Proceedings with Sister Jurisdictions has been made, and it is to be regretted that the Grand Lodge in its wisdom did not continue to have issued a brief summary of the work done in Sister Jurisdictions, and which can only be had from a review of the Journals of Proceedings.

Clause 4. The badge to be worn by officers and representatives has been provided, and makes a very neat souvenir to be kept by those who receive it.

Clause 5. The Annual Report of this Grand Lodge to the Insurance Department of the Ontario Government was duly made and the certificate issued by the Department is on fyle.

I would again call the attention of Lodge Auditors to the importance of their office, which is far greater than most of them seem to think. Not a few returns are signed by the Auditors as "Audited and found correct," when in fact the returns are far from correct. The form of return is simple and should not be difficult to understand.

Clause 6. The list of mileage to Galt was prepared early in the year, but owing to the cut in railway rates, the regular mileage will hardly be used this year; however, I have, as last year, added the number of miles to Galt, to the list of Officers and Representatives. The system adopted last year by the Grand Treasurer of paying mileage and per diem by cheque proved so satisfactory that it will be continued this year.

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Clause 7. Arrangements have been made with the several railways and the Ontario and Richelieu Navigation Company by which officers, representatives and ladies will have the road trip for a single fare. Should the reduced or cut rates be in forced tring the week of our session quite a large saving will be effected.

The thanks of the Grand Lodge is due to the steamboat and railway companies for courtesies received.

Clause 8. A bound volume of the proceedings of the Sovereign Grand Lodge for the years 1895-6 was duly received from Bro. J. Frank Grant, Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and has been added to the library of the Grand Lodge.

Clause 9. On March 2nd a cheque for \$58.00 was received from Bro. H. Harper, of Barrie, being the amount due by Bro. F. J. Squire, of late Temple Lodge, to that Lodge when it became defunct. The note was with the effects of the Lodge when its charter was surrendered. The amount was placed to the credit of the Defunct Lodge account.

Clause 10. On receipt of and from Bro. W. H. Lowe, of Orient Lodge, that their charter and effects had been destroyed by fire, by direction of the Grand Master a Dispensation was issued to the Lodge to continue work. New supplies have not yet been asked for.

Clause 11. All by-laws received from Lodges have been promptly sent to Bro. D. Robertson during the absence of Bro. Rawlings, and as promptly returned by him certified.

Clause 12. It is to be hoped that the Grand Lodge will continue its approval of the tent at the Exhibition in Toronto, which in the past has been of so great convenience to many weary brothers and sisters who found shelter, rest, beneath its canopy as well as information and courteous treatment at the hands of our esteemed Bro. R. N. Sheppard, who had it in charge.

Clause 13. Another evidence of the unselfishness of our Order was given in November last, when Past Grand Sire Campbell, in the presence of a large gathering of members and friends, unveiled, in Mount Pleasant in Toronto, the beautiful monument which the brothers of that city had erected as a tribute to the memory of their brothers who had, or may hereafter, fall under the scythe of the reaper whilst sojourning in their city. The beautiful monument and plot is most certainly a credit to the Order, and may well be pointed

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to with pride, and a photogravure of which was deemed worthy of a place in the Journal of last year.

Clause 14. When the exchange of Rituals was made a year ago, acting, as I considered under the instructions contained in the circular issued by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, the several Lodges were requested to return all their old Rituals with their Order for new Rituals—the old Rituals to be credited as referred at one dollar each. Many of our Lodges had four old Rituals which they returned and received a credit of \$4.00 for; most of these Lodges only ordered two new Rituals.

The number of old Rituals received from Lodges and destroyed as by the order of the Sovereign Grand Lodge exceeded by 76 the number of new Rituals purchased from that body.

Your Grand Secretary, acting in good faith, on his reading of the instructions issued by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, certified to that body the total number of old Rituals received and destroyed.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge at its last session interpreted to exchange of Rituals legislation to mean that a jurisdiction should only be allowed a credit of book for book of the number of new books purchased. This has worked an injustice to this Grand Lodge, for, had the above interpretation been clear, our Lodges would have been notified that they would receive credit for books returned up to the number of new books ordered; the loss of old books would thus have been on the Lodge and not on the Grand Lodge funds.

In view of the very large profit made by the Sovereign Grand Lodge on these Rituals and the greater fact that the Sovereign Grand Lodge does not desire to take the least advantage of its Subordinates, I suggest that our representatives to that body use their best efforts at the coming session to have the sum of \$76 placed to the credit of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Ten Lodges are still working with old Rituals, not having taken any notice of the circulars and instructions repeatedly sent them in regard to the new work. This should not be, there should be absolute uniformity in regard to the work. These Lodges, by their delay, have forfeited the right to a credit for their old Rituals, but some steps should be taken to require them to send in their old books and procure the new ones, and thus keep step in the march of progress. Full information regarding the exchange of Rituals and the law governing the new Receipts was promptly sent to each Lodge by circular.

Clause 15. At the last session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge a decided improvement was made in the official receipts adopted by that body, both as to price, form and size. The use of these official receipts for dues by all branches of the Order being mandatory, a supply of 500 books of 100 each was ordered, in the expectation that inasmuch as this jurisdiction was one of the first to ask for such a receipt form to take the place of the visiting card each Lodge would promptly adopt them, but so far the orders for them have not been up to expectation nor requirement. It is to be presumed that many Lodges have on hand our old and cheaper books of receipts, and desire to use them up before purchasing new and more expensive receipts. If that be the case, it is a poor excuse for not promptly obeying the laws enacted at their own suggestion, and of which every Lodge has been notified. Legislation in the line of the Sovereign Grand Lodge requirements in this matter should be had at this session.

Clause 16. The Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly, Sister Mrs. Waddell, furnishes the following as the results of the past half year, which, though it does not show any very great advance, indicates that the Rebekah Branch of the Order is still progressing. The Secretary reports that there are still eight Ledges to be heard from. The delay of these Lodge Secretaries in sending their returns is very discouraging and must of necessity cause the Secretary great labor and anxiety, as it prevents that officer from giving that full and complete report of the term's work that she so much desires to do and for which her reports are noted. The Rebekah statement for the year 1897 accompanies this report.

STATEMENT.

		Brothers.	Sisters.	Total.
Admitted during the six mo	nths ending 30 June, 1	898. 90	150	240
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	Net gain			31
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Present membership, June 3 Relief for the past six mo	30, 1898	. 1,300	1,790	3,090
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Clause 17. The last revised edition of the Rebekah Rituals was duly received from the Sovereign Grand Lodge and at once sent to Sister Waddell, Secretary of the Assembly, who has distributed them in accordance with Sovereign Grand Lodge legislation. The edition for which these was exchanged has been received and destroyed, and a credit received for the number, viz. 114.

Clause 18. The following letters have been received from Bro. Robert Meek, Secretary of the Odd Fellows' Relief Association, and require action of the Grand Lodge. That the Relief Association, which, under its able management, has had such great success in the past years, notably since its provisions for the creation of a Reserve Fund, which has now reached the magnificent figure of \$151,266.43, and has made it one of, if not the best, Fraternal Insurance Societies of the day, is a very great auxiliary to the Order in Canada, will not be questioned, it should therefore receive every reasonable possible encouragement at the hands of the Grand Lodge, whose duty it is to carefully and wisely guard its interests as being identical with those of the Order in general. The full and complete annual report of the Association referred to in Bro. Meek's letter is herewith presented.

Odd Fellows' Relief Association of Canada.

J. B. KING, Esq.,

Kingston, July 22nd, 1898. No. 197.

Grand Secretary of Ontario I.O.O.F., Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir and Bro.,-At the annual meeting of the O.ld Fellows' Relief Association, held yesterday, the Committee on General Business presented the following, which was received and unanimously adopted:

"Your Committee would recommend that the Executive petition the various Grand Lodges for permission to place on the form of application for membership some notice that will draw the attention of the applicant to the fact that there is an insurance in the Order, and showing the cost of the same."

I am directed to forward this copy of the recommendation to your Grand Lodge for its consideration.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother.

Yours Fraternally, R. MEEK, Secretary.

Odd Fellows' Relief Association of Canada.

Kingston, July 22nd, 1898.

J. B. KING, Esq.,

No. 195.

Grand Secretary of Ontario I.O.O.F., Toronto, Ont.

Dear Sir and Bro.,—The formal application for permission to do business in the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario, accompanied with the authority of the Sovereign Grand Lodge in the form of a certificate, was made by the Odd Fellows Relief Association in April, and upon them the usual license was granted by your Grand Lodge.

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The membership is now over 10,000, the Reserve Fund is \$140,000 (an increase of \$35,000 during the year), and the surplus of assets over liabilities is

\$151,226.43. These reports are already before the Advisory Committee of your Grand Lodge, and with confidence as to the result we await its report upon them.

I am, Dear Sir and Brother,

Yours Fraternally,

R. MEEK, Secretary.

Clause 19. The total expenditure of the Order in Ontario in all its departments, for Sick Benefits, Relief of Widows and Orphans, Funeral Benefits, Death Indemnity, and Special Relief since 1856, and including the year ending 31st December, 1897—forty-one years—aggregates the magnificent sum of \$1,943,680.12, and adding the expenditures for relief for the past term would swell the amount past \$2,000,000, a vast sum spent in this Province alone, by our Order in works of relief, benevolence, and humanity, and is made up as follows:

Paid by Subordinate Lodges, Sick Be	nents,
Relief, etc	\$1,220,906.71
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Claims paid	655,837.00
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\$1,943,680.12

Clause 20. Since last we met at Grand Lodge the grim Reaper has been busy, and the homes of very many of our members have been saddened by his presence.

On October 5th, 1897, the beloved wife of our esteemed Grand Master died, after a very brief illness, and deep gloom was cast over the home of our brother. In company with Deputy Grand Master

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J. E. Farewell and many other sympathizing brothers, your Grand Secretary attended the funeral on the 7th of October. The floral evidences of love and sympathy were many, while the kind words given utterance to, both in the church and at the grave, bore ample testimony to the place deceased held in the hearts of those who best knew her while living, She set a noble example to her sex in the interest she always took in all that tended to the betterment of the people of the community in which she lived. When our brother returned to his home he doubtless realized the words of Byron:

"He entered in his house—his home no more,
For without hearts there is no home ;—and felt
The solitude of passing his own door,
Without a welcome."

As a token of sympathy from the Grand Lodge a floral pillow was placed upon the coffin.

On the 30th June, almost without a warning, our esteemed Brother, J. W. Grote, P.G., of Empire Lodge, No. 87, was called away. In the midst of busy cares the summons came. Bro. Grote had been for some years an ardent, active, zealous Odd Fellow, and had by his genial disposition endeared himself to his brethren far and near, as well as to the general community in which he lived.

As a Representative of the Grand Lodge and in company with Past Grand Masters J. B. McIntyre and S. G. Dolson, your Grand Secretary attended the funeral on July 2nd, and on behalf of the Grand Lodge, as a token of affectionate regard, placed upon the coffin of our brother a wreath of flowers.

Our brother was laid at rest in the beautiful cemetery near by the resting place of a number of prominent brothers of St. Catharines, who in the pioneer years of Odd Fellowship were also ardent workers in the cause, and who in the past made our Order a household word in Lincoln County; there they will all rest awaiting the sound of the gavel which will call them from rest to reward.

"There is a Reaper whose name is Death, Aud, with his sickle keen, He reaps the bearded grain at a breath And the flowers that grow between."

On Saturday, July 23rd, like a bolt from a clear sky, came the message: "Bro. A. C. Stewart died at one o'clock to-day." Though it was known that Bro. Stewart was ill, it was thought to be one of those light attacks he was accustomed to in the hot weather; but, no, his life work was done, and the summons, we believe, found

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y, came to-day." at to be eather; e, found him ready. Bro. Stewart was for years the appointed Auditor of the Grand Lodge, and for many years the Secretary of Eureka Lodge, No. 30, in which he always took just pride. The funeral was very largely attended by the young people who had been his pupils in the High School of which he had for years been the Principal, and who had learned to love and respect him. Bro. Stewart was taken away almost in the prime of life; though young, "if his life were measured by work, he might be counted old." Bro. Stewart was laid at rest by the Order he so long served, on Monday, July 25th, Grand Master Young and Past Grand Sire Dr. Campbell officiating. A wreath, "in loving memory," was laid on his coffin by the Grand Lodge.

The Representatives from the Lodges of which these and many other Past Grands who have passed away during the year, but of whose death particulars have not been received, will surely present suitable enologies on their deceased members.

Clause 21. Bro. W. A. Rawlings who, for many years, has rendered such service to the Order as Chairman of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, has been laid aside for some months by illness, and will undoubtedly receive the sincere sympathy of every member of the Grand Lodge, as well as of the many Lodges and members throughout the Province, whose best interests he has tried to serve jin helping them to provide good, sound laws. There are few names more respectfully mentioned in our Lodges than that of W. A. Rawlings.

Clause 22. I have received from Bro. Thomas Donnelly, P.G., of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, a formal protest against the action of that Lodge in declaring his election as Representative to the Grand Lodge void, and the subsequent election of another brother to that position. I at once requested the Lodge to send, without delay, a copy of all proceedings had by the Lodge in this matter, under seal.

Clause 23. According to the custom encouraged by Grand Lodge, endorsement tables of the experience of this Order have been prepared and are submitted in such forms as will tend to make the facts they show in as clear a light as possible.

The fact of the increasing demand on Lodge funds as the years go by, for sick and funeral benefits, is each year more and more apparent, until now the time has arrived when prompt and decisive action must be had by the Grand Lodge on the line of a uniformity of all fees and benefits. The cost per capita is the same in what-

ever Lodge a brother enters, therefore there should be bút a uniform rate the jurisdiction over.

In this connection, and with the experience of the year before, I would again respectfully repeat the suggestions made last year, for the establishment of a central fund out of which all benefits for a greater period than one year, and all funeral and widows' benefits should be paid, this with a view to absolute security that when the dark days come, as come they will to every Lodge, there will be no possibility of doubt, but that the beneficiary will receive the amount promised. In this day of societies the order which is the soundest in its financial features will come through the best, and it should be, and no doubt is, the object of our legislators to make Odd Fellowship financially sound and fully up-to-date in every particular. Because a Lodge has to-day a large membership and a full treasury is no guarantee that ten years hence it will be, as it should be, correspondingly stronger, unless it has improved its every opportunity and by frugality and wise, judicious economy, provided for the future.

Not a few of our older lodges have come to find that after twenty-five years of experience, in many of which sentiment took the place of wisdom, in promising and in paying larger benefits than its receipts justified, that now they have a membership of advanced age, and sickness and death benefits crowding on so thick and fast, that every possible means of retrenchment must be resorted to to avert disaster, when a full treasury should exist; some lodges are taking off the first week sick benefit, others are reducing to the minimum of one dollar after a year, when the needs in general are greater. There need not and should not be, taking the tables of experience herewith presented as a guide coupled with the excellent report of the Committee on dues and benefits, which it is earnestly hoped will be adopted this year, there need not be a cause for any of these reductions nor for a weak Lodge. It is said that "the strength of a chain is its weakest link." In Odd Fellowship, which in the past has done such great things in the cause of humanity and the uplifting of society, and which is capable of being made to do even greater in the future, there shou'd be no weak link, but a strong united chain, every Lodge and every member a link. If that great barrier, selfishness, were entirely broken down, and our army of nearly 24,000 members a unit, what power for good it could and

The following extract from a letter written by Bro. Alf. Mc-Candlish, the worthy Secretary of Unity Lodge, shows the trend of thought in that Lodge, and others might be quoted, giving equally goo as f pres vinc hou wou last that

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good evidence in the same direction. He says: "Our report is not as favorable as previous ones have been, and I am afraid under our present system we have seen our best days. I am personally convinced that a uniform system of dues and benefits is the need of the hour, that the payment of certain benefits from a common fund would give lasting strength to the Older. I have been trying for the last three or four years to convince the members of Unity Lodge that such would be the case; they are about convinced."

The minimum rate established by the Constitution for admitting members is no doubt based on proper calculations, but in cities and large towns the expenses of rent, paraphernalia, salaries, light and fuel, are far in excess of those of small towns and villages. Therefore, Lodges in the larger places, having the good of the Order first in view, have found it necessary to increase the cost of admission, and those that have the highest rates have not yet found, after 25 or more years experience, that their rates are higher or produce more money than the Lodge requires in its older years to meet the demands upon their Treasurers; rather, many an old Lodge has been compelled, per necessity, to reduce its benefits owing to the unfortunate fact that yearly the demands are becoming so much greater that reduction is the only honest way in order that members in their old age may be honestly dealt with.

A new Lodge in a city starts out with the idea that a very large membership is the proper thing, and puts its admission fee down to the minimum rate, and thus secures many members that would have gone into the older Lodges at their justly higher rate, thus an unintentional injustice is done; or a Lodge whose members have wearied in their work or faltered by the way, have not had new members for quite a time, and they awaken and try to bridge the apathy by cutting rates. They get in some members at their low rate, who, it may be, had intended to go into a Lodge whose rates were higher and more nearly right, and at once the rivalry begins; ill feeling is engendered to the detriment of both Lodges and loss to the Order, both of membership and prestige. 'All this is not as it should be. There should be a minimum rate based upon actuarial calculations and that rate should be the only rate any Lodge could charge for admission, then all Lodges the country over would be on a safe basis, and the only question as to joining this Lodge or that, in the larger places, would be the character and standing of the Lodge. The question of benefits must be decided by the rate of dues alone.

It is not, or should not be, the greatest desire of a Lodge to secure the greatest possible number of members, regardless of the methods employed to get them; while it is beyond question wise and advisable for a Lodge to add all it can legitimately to its membership, the fact remains that a large membership secured at the cost of the harmony of the membership in the city costs more than the Order can afford to sanction. The value and benefit of membership in this Order must be gauged by the influence for good its teachings and practices exert on its members, rather than upon the cheapness of being able to get into the Order in any particular Lodge. So far as pecuniary benefits are concerned, the amount to be paid must of necessity be governed by the amount paid into the treasury by the member; the cost therefore of getting into the Order should be the same in every Lodge in a Lodge jurisdiction.

Clause 24. The following letter has been received from Mr. Wm. Millar, Solicitor for Nith Lodge, No. 96, with statements of cost in the matter of Kraft vs. Nith Lodge. All the correspondence in this case is herewith submitted.

NEW HAMBURG, Ont., August 1st, 1898.

Re Kraft vs. Nith Lodge.

J. B. KING, Esq., Grand Secretary I.O.O.F., Toronto.

Dear Sir,—At the request of the Committee of Defendant Lodge, I enclose the bills of Counsellor Shepley and myself as Solicitor for the Defendants, and at the foot of my bill is a summary of how the defendants are of opinion these costs should be settled, which shows the balance payable by Grand Lodge to be \$149.25, which the defendants trust you will find in accordance with the understanding made or spoken of between you. You will bring the matter before the Grand Lodge and advise Nith Lodge of the result.

Yours respectfully,

WM. MILLAR.

Clause 25. Souvenirs of membership have been promptly filled up and sent to all whose names have been reported as entitled to them. These souvenirs are very much appreciated, and, neatly framed, are constant reminders in many homes.

The supply of souvenir blanks has become nearly exhausted, some 30,000 having been written out and delivered to lodges; it will be necessary for the Grand Lodge to direct the Committee on General Purposes to have more printed, so that every member may receive this beautiful souvenir.

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 Clause 26. During the year ending 30th June, 1898, there

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156	"	Rev. John Rannie " " 29 "
161	"	Henry Wilson, P.G Naomi Lodge 116 Markham.
162	"	A. Jordan Amity " 80 Prescott.
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164	"	Jer. Donovan " " 29 "
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198	. A. Kennedy	"103 " "	3
190	Thomas bowman "	"103 " "	
200	Charles E. Lacey	" 103 " "	
201	George C. Biggar	"103 " "	
201	J. Lugar Diggar	"103 " "	
	Witham Dalton	"103 " "	
203	David Newman		
204	Thomas Todd Waterloo	" 107 Galt.	
205	Joseph S. Edgar Frontier	" 45 Windsor	
207	Samuel Frott Fidelity	" 55 Seaforth.	
208	I. C. Foote Lindsay	" Ioo Lindsay.	
O TONG PERSON	D. C. 1 rew	" 100 ·	
209	J. Williama	" 100 "	
210	James Smith, P.G Hope	" 69 Harrietsville:	
212	Robert F. Rudd, P.G. Dresden	"124Dresden.	
ESTABLISHED VICTOR	Trugit Garrett Chatham	" 29 Chatham.	
.213	Waterloo	" 107 Galt.	
214	J. II. verrall	"107 "	
215	John Anderson "	" 107, "	
223	George A. Weese Lindsay	" 100 Lindsay.	
224	J. E. Ternune Listowel	" 160 Listowel,	
225	A. H. Blackeby, P.G.P. Waterloo	" 107 Galt.	
	Richard Barnes, P.G.,		
gold.	umbers 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 223, 2	24, 225 and 226 were each 8 borns	

Our field in Ontario is not by any means all occupied. There are many eligible places where good thriving Lodges may be instituted and successfully carried on. Our indefatigable Grand Master, Bro. Young, has by his untring labors in the interests of the Order, during his year, fanned into life the smouldering embers and awakened the interest of many a faltering Lodge and has caused a widespread enquiry to be made regarding Odd Fellowship and its work. His labors seconded as doubtless they will be by our incoming Grand Master, Bro. Farewell, will result in the institution of a number of good Lodges, and let us hope a large addition to our membership.

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To Grand Master Bro. Young, your Grand Secretary desires to express his highest appreciation for many courtesies received during the year, and also to the Order in general, more especially to those who have helped in any way to lighten the burdens and cares of office by acts of courtesy and words of love.

To our Brethren across the border, whose country is agitated by war, and by reason of which no doubt many a Lodge and many a home will be in mourning, the sympathy of their Brethren in Ontario will be heartily extended and may it be that the Angel of Peace will soon dispel the gloom of War. May it be that the sentiment now happily indulged in of a united English-speaking people will soon be a fact and not a sentiment, and that its inauguration will be the bringing in of an era which will cause wars and rumors of wars to cease, a result that has ever been one of the predominant features of Odd Fellowship to whose teachings are due very much of this noble sentiment, then, Peace, Joy and goodwill will brood over all our lands.

Fraternally submitted,

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STATEMENT "A."

BEING AMOUNTS DUE BY LODGES DEC. 31ST, 1897.

NAME OF LODGE.	Folio.	AMOUNT,
Erie	7	
	33	5 2, 2
	45	56 50
	48	400
	68 80	7!
		75
	92	75
	110	50
	117	30 50
	120	25
	121	25
	136	1 00
	151	2 25
	167	1 00
	183	50
	186	10 50
	195	25
	207	2 25
	219	25
Merlin	223	1 00
	226	50
Equity	229	3 75
	232	50
Ailton	239	I 50
hornbury	242	50
	243	1 50
feaford	252	25
feaford	260	1 00
	262	45
Pelta	265	42 83
ansdowne	270	17 00
obcaveen	281	50
	300	50
alentine	305	2 00
	308	25
	315	1 63
Pebbwood.	319	1 00
	-	\$180 16

Examined and found correct,

Toronto, Feb. 30th, 1898.

CHARLES PACKERT, Auditors.

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STATEMENT "B."

BEING AMOUNTS DUE TO LODGES DEC. 31ST, 1897.

NAME OF LODGE.	Folio.	AMOUNT.
Brock	. 9	2
Maple Leaf	57	2 00
Darrie	63	50
Florence Nightingale	66	2
Castern Star	72	2
warriner	. 75	. 2
Uxford	77	2
Durham	78	50
Beaver	. 82	50
Deseronto	102	2
St. Lawrence	. 137	2 7
arnet	139	1 2
Brougham	177	
Simcoe	161	1 00
Alliston	171	50 83
Owen Sound	180	2 60
Silver Star	202	1 00
Acton	202	
Silver City	204	25
Alvinston	208	50
Brucefield	210	3 8
lifford		2
Voodslee	214	75
Vaterford		-25
armerville		25
ordon	237	25
lidgely	247	25
aledonia		25
Alba	253	25
rand Valley	254	75
redit		25
old Hill	257	50
goma.	261	1 25
orth Bay	267	1 25
ockliffe	271	25
lockliffe	278	75
Ayn	280	25
yn	284	50
lipley	287	25
ornucopia	299	3 20
Jespeler	321	25
		\$81 23

Examined and found correct.

Toronto, July 30th, 1898.

CHARLES PACKERT, Auditors.

STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES ON HAND AND THEAR VALUE DECEMBER 31ST, 1897.

No.	SUPPLIES,	PRICE EACH.	TOTAL.
5	Floor Work	\$0 40	\$ 2 00
30	Rituals	2 00	60 00
100	Ode Cards	04	4 00
45	Ode Cards with Music	10	4 50
52	Funeral Hymns	03	1 56
13	Prayer Cards	04	52
36	Visiting Cards	20	7 20
9	Withdrawal Cards	20	1 80
74	Dismissal Certificates	20	14 80
29	Veteran Jewels	3 50	101 50
6	Degree Charts	2 25	13 50
8	Digests for Grand Lodge	2 50	20 00
575	Digest Ontario	45	231 75
22	Funeral Ceremony	20	4 40
17	Anniversary Ceremony	20	3 40
1436	Decoration Ceremony	OI	14 36
3	Books of Forms	75	2 25
3100	Propositions, 16½ cts. per 100		5 12
7	Reports on Character	65	4 55
5026	Medical Examination Blanks, 65 cts. per 100		32.65
4500	Sick Benefit Claims	01	· 11 25
58	Orders A.T.P.W	50	29 00
94	Orders Term P.W	27	25 38
98	Question Books	27	26 46
47 58	Treasurer's Receipts	50	23 50.
50	Members' Receipts	85	49 30
33	Recording Secretary's Books	1 10	m 36 30
. 99	Financial Secretary's Books. Packets	90	89 10
7 46	Treasurer's Books	1 00	7 00
	Members' Registers	78	35 88
37	Visitors' Registers	- 75	27 75
44 12	Officers' Roll Books	40	17 60
223	Treasurer's Bonds	014	15
386	Trustee Bonds	OI T	2 78
55	Photogravures	30	115 80
23	orders on Treasurer	50	27 50
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Examined and found correct.

CHAS. PACKERT, ABNER FRASER,

Auditors.

TORONTO, 28th February, 1898.

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STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES ON HAND DECEMBER 31ST, 1897.

Supplies,	On Hand, 31st Dec., 1896.	Sold during 1897.	Bought during 1897.	On Hand, 31st Dec., 1897.
Floor Work	. 19	14	,	5
Ode Cards	350	864	894	30
Ode Cards with Music	46	250		100
Funeral Hymns	28	26	50	45 52
Prayer Cards	20	7	30	13
Visiting Cards		364	400	36
Withdrawal Cards	66	157	100	9
Dismissal Certificates	25 6	51 61	100	74
Veteran Jewels Degree Charts	6	61	84	29
Digests for Grand Lodge		•••••		6 8
Digests, Ontario	13 575	17	12	515
Funeral Ceremony	35	38	25	515
Anniversary Ceremony	24	7	45	17
Dedication Ceremony	1532	96		1446
BOOKS Of Forms	4	10	9	3
Propositions	7225	4125		3100
Reports on Character	11	4		7
Sick Claims	6876	1850		5026
Orders A. I. P. W	4900	400		4500
Orders T. P.W.	. 2	8	100	58
Question Books	3	7	102	94
Treasurer's Receipts.	57	10		47
Members' Receipt Rooks	99 36	41		94 98 47 58 33 99 7 46
Recording Secretary	36	3		33
Financial Secretary Packets	6	3 7	100	99
Treasurers' Members' Registers	10	3		7
Visitors' Registers	50 38	4 I		46
Officers' Roll Book	69	25		37
Treasurer's Bonds	62	50		44 12
Trustee Bonds	273	50		223
Photogravures of P.G.M's	391	5		386
Minute Books		12	12	
Orders on Treasurer		47	102	55
visiting Certificates	19200	19200	E 100 F 100	NEW PROPERTY AND PERSONS ASSESSED.

Examined and found correct.

TORONTO, 30th July, 1898.

CHAS. PACKERT, Auditors.

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE. RECEIPTS. \$11,285 14 80 00 Capita Tax Charters 45 96 476 54 Balance EXPENDITURE. \$11,924 08 General Expenditure-7 00 1 | 7 co. | 2 co Exhibition tent.... Exhibition tent 55 Buffalo deputation 10 00 Postage, telegrams, and express 496 10 Special visitation to Lodges 10 90 Typewriter repairs, G.M. 7 67 Incidentals 56 31 Grand Rep. Tax, S.G.L. 150 00 Grand Master's appropriation 650 00 Fire Insurance premium 16 10 Incidental states 445 19 55 00 \$2,582 86 Mileage and Per Diem 5,830 10 Office Expenses-Rent...... \$400 00 Office repairs 4 00 Bell Telephone 45 00 Sundry expenses 99 18 548 18 Salaries -2,511 59

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CHAS. PACKERT, Auditors.

Toronto, July 30th, 1898.

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Total Assets... Total Liabilities.... Assets over Liabilities 2.104 42 2,104 42

Net Capital.

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LIA-BILITIES. ASSETS. 648 60 8ro 04 1,054 61 BALANCE SHEET-GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, I.O.O.F., DECEMBER 31ST, 1897. STOCK ACCOUNT. C. 2,077 98 DR. 26 44 11,924 08 11,924 08 LEDGER BALANCES. PROFIT AND LOSS. Ç. DR. 14.169 60 Net loss. Š 14.169 60 578 07 DR. 1,864 65 INVENTORY. of Defunct Lodges.... LEDGER TITLES.

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REPORT OF AUDITORS.

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

The undersigned beg to report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary for the year ending 31st December, 1897, and have compared the several accompanying statements therewith and find them correct. They also examined the accounts of receipts and expenditures from said date to 28th July, 1898, and compared the same with the Grand Treasurer's books and find them to correspond, the amount of the funds in the hands of the Grand Treasurer on the 20th July being seven thousand four hundred and fifty-one and 65/100 dollars. We observe that the balance shows a deficit of \$26.44, to which, however, may be added \$745.00 for the annual journal of proceedings which was not paid for until January, 1898, making the total of expenditure over income \$771.44. We are also pleased to note that the account of the Lodges, with the exception of Dufferin and Delta, are practically balanced, the small differences appearing being principally from the errors in the membership returns. The above mentioned lodges, we understand, have been laboring under difficulties (of which the Grand Master has been cognizant, and who, we believe, expressed the opinion that if application was made to the Grand Lodge the amounts might be allowed); we therefore recommend that the Finance Committee examine into the circumstances of the cases and report what action should be taken.

The auditors in the examination of the books of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer find them all in excellent order and

kept in a business-like manner.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. PACKERT, Auditors.

July 30th, 1898.

The Grand Treasurer, Bro. W. J. McCormack, submitted his annual report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

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

BRETHREN,—Your Grand Treasurer begs to submit the following report of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ending 31st December, 1897, that is, from March 15th, 1897, the date of Installation as Grand Treasurer to 31st December, 1897, showing a cash balance on hand of \$648.60.

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				DR _GP	A AVEN			
	1897.			JAGK	IND 1	REASURER.		
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	14	. **	"				\$142 04	127 53

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	28	- "	**		1		\$186 25	224 38
				2 Labour			8i 75	
Jun	e 2	**	**	"	4.		01 /5	
	17	**	- 16				\$ 87 27	268 00
	30		- 44				\$ 07 27	
						**********	180 17	
July	31	"					381 70	
	31	"	. "	"				649 14
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189	7.			GKAN	DIK	EASURER.		
Feb.	20	By CI	ne Deal				Order No.	
		" A	C Stank	ert, auditor	s fee .			
Mar.	4	" C.	o. Siew	art, auditor	s fee .	••••	· · · I	\$ 35 50
		" C.	and Mer	etary, salary	7	ronging.	2	36 70
		" 50	version (er, on accou	unt apr	ropriation ,	16	166 67
Feb.	20	" D	vereign (rand Lodge	, for s	ropriation	17	100 00
		" G4	ty on su	pplies		pplies	4	134 30
	25	" 6	and Mast	er, on accou	int app	ropriation	3	10 15
	-,	ape	cial com	mittee on ar	nnuitie	ropriation	5	42 25
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		GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT—Continue	d.			
189	7	Ord	ler N	lo.		
Feb.		By R. Walker & Sons, re late Grand Treasurer's				
reb.	25	funeral	. 7		18	80
	Si hi	" Dunlop & Co., wreath for late Grand Treasurer.	8			00
	26	" Bryant Press, electros of emblems	9			40
		" Gordon McKay & Co., ribbon for badges	IÓ			50
		" Estate late W. Badenach, appropriation for				
		Grand Treasurer	11		116	69
		" Geo. Booth, lettering tablets in hall	12		4	00
Mar.	1	" J. H. Butler, expenses 16 Pickering	13	1		30
		" Sovereign Grand Lodge, duty on rituals	14		5	55
		" E. A. Badenach, bond for Grand Treasurer	15			00
	12	" Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies	18		65	00
April	2	" Miss E. Shaw, engrossing letter of condolence				
		late Grand Treasurer	19		7	00
		"Anderson & Reardon, frames for P.G.M's. photo-				
		gravure	20		7	00
		"Daily Globe, one year's subscription	2I 22		ENGOLOS	
		" Bryant Press, printing" " Brown Bros., supplies	23		157	25 82
		" Express charges	24			37
		" Postage	25			56
		" Canada Life, one-quarter's rent	26		100	
		" Grand Secretary, salary	27		166	
		" Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies	28		136	
V		" Sovereign Grand Lodge, tax	29		150	
V		" Sovereign Grand Lodge, duty on supplies	30		10	00
	12	" W. S. Johnston, printing	32		7	00
	13	" J. F. Grant, supplies	33		100	00
June	17	"Incidentals	34		24	98
		" Postage stamps	35		22	S. ASSELPA
		" Postage and express charges	36			00
May	3	"Grand Secretary, salary	37		166	
	6	" Home Com., expenses of meeting	38		61	
	115	"Committee on dues and benefits	39		19	
June	2	Oland Decicely, saidly	48		166	
*			40		25	00
		" Provincial Treasurer, registration fee	41 42			25
		"Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies	43			12
		" W. Munro & Son., addition to case in vault	44	X		67
		" Hy. White, G.M., account of appropriation	45		100	
		" Incidental expenses	46		17	47
		" Postage account	47		17	73
		" Dominion Odd Fellow, printing circulars, etc	40		30	00
	4	" Sovereign Grand Lodge, duty on supplies	50		1	10
	22	"G.N.W. Telegraph, message of congratulation to				
		the Queen	51		15	75
		" Postage account	52			19
		" Sundry office expenses	53			44
July	2	"Grand Secretary, account of salary	54		166	
		"Bell Telephone Co., six months' rent	55			50
	3	" Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies	56		124	35
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GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT-Continued. 1897. Order No. July. By Rebekah Assembly, refund of charter fees..... Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies..... 10 \$ 27 50 12 5 55 15 00 16 " " "Canada Life, quarter's rent of offices "Dominion Odd Fellow, printing 17 26 14 00 5 00 62 100 00 Grand Master, balance of appropriation 64 Postage account 65 Incidental account 66 16 25 171 25 30 42 Aug. 5 Grand Secretary, account of salary A. C. Stewart, auditor's fees and expenses. 166 67 Chas. Packert, auditor's fees and expenses..... 36 79 35 56 41 60 69 "C. W. Chadwick, actuary, tables, etc 13 10 90 diem, 1897..... 17 70 " F. Fowler, P. G. M., mileage and per diem 74 sermon, 1897.... H. Robertson, P.G.M., mileage and per diem 75 sermon, 1897..... J. Gibson, P.G.M., mileage and per diem 76 16 35 Gloson, P.G. M., mileage and per diem sermon, 1897. R. N. Sheppard, expenses committee on transfer of membership J. Powley, assistant Grand Secretary. 77 20 10 78 22 62 " J. F. Asborne, Messenger at Grand Lodge 6 00 R. S. Bell, press correspondent S. C. Pascoe, janitor W. A. Rawlings, chairman committee on Laws of 6 00 15 00 82 12'00 Subordinates " W. J. McCormack, Grand Treasurer, salary to 75 00 83 81 year. "Mileage and per diem, session of 1897, Belleville. "W. H. Cole, P.G.M., mileage and per diem. "Will, J. Vale, special committee on dues and year ... 24 00 5,843 85 87 10 75 benefits "Grand Secretary, expenses at session Grand Secretary, expenses at session Grand Secretary, account of salary. Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies Bryant Press, printing Grand Officers Reports. Dominion Regalia Co., printing badges Anderson & Reardon, frames for 11 65 16 10 00 166 67 72 50 147 85 11 72 " Blackhall & Co., binding journals..... 7 00 Express charges "Express charges Mrs. Waddell, Rebekah Assembly.... 3 25 30 00

" Postage stamps.....

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•			GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT-Concluded.		
189	7.				
Sept.		D.	Order	No.	
Sept.	I	B	Guarantee bond of Good Salary	166	66
	10				00
	10		Drown Dros., Stationery and supplies		
			J. A. Young, Grand Master, account of appro-		,
				50	00
			Trewsome & Co., repairing (rand Master's type		
			writing machine	6	75
			14. Shepparu, appropriation for tent at exhibi-		
	16		Posters day	55	00
	22		Postage stamps		00
	30		Sydenham Valley Lodge, No. 121, law costs 106	194	87
	30	"	Weston Lodge, No. 200, law costs 107	134	13.
			Incidental expenses	12	54
Oct.	I				25
00	6			166	67
	12		Canada Life, quarter's rent to Oct. 1st, 1897 111	100	00
Nov.	12		Sovereign Grand Lodge, Veteran Jewels 112	87	50
			J. H. Dunlop, wreath of flowers	10	00
	3		Sovereign Grand Lodge, cards	10	00
	3		Dominion Odd Fellow, printing circulars, sup-		
	12	**	plies, etc	60	00
			Incidental expenses	23	51
Dec.	1		Postage stamps 110		49
	3		Grand Secretary, account of salary. 118 Sovereign Grand Lodge, supplies. 119	166	67
		"	Munro & Sone deels in offer	10	
		"	Munro & Sons, desk in office		35
		"		15	90
	1	"			91
	3	"		166	
			Bryant Press printing	88	
	16		Bryant Press, printing	24	15
		**		30	03
				36	
			orand master, account or appropriation 128	100	00
Dec.	31	"	Release	\$12,201	44
	•		Balance	648	60
				\$12,850	04
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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE, JANUARY TO JULY 28TH, 1898.

1897				
Dec. 1898.	31	Balance	\$648	60
Jany. Feb. March April May June July	31 28 31 30 31 30 29	To Cash. \$5,042 4 " \$81 4 " 124 9 " 319 8 " 159 9 " 110 6 " 5,322 7	5 3 3 1	
1		5.322 7	- 11,661	98
	Ву	Paid Orders, Nos. 133 to 202	\$12,320 4,858	58 93
		Balance on hand July 29th, 1898	\$7,451	65
	1	W. J. McCORMACK, Grand Treasure	er.	

Examined and found correct,

CHAS. PACKERT, Auditors.

Toronto, July 30th, 1898.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS BY THE GRAND SECRETARY FOR THE YEAR JANUARY 1st, 1897, TO DECEMBER 31st, 1897.

Date.	LODGE.	No	Total.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	1
1897.							
Jan. 1	Gold Hill	261	\$ 21 00		\$ 21 00		
	Fraternity	251 264	7 50 9 84		7 50		
	Penetangore	172	9 84 9 00		9 84		100
	Olive Branch	88	1 25	11.17	9 00		
	Riverside Dauncey	145	3 00		3 00	*****	
	Montana	176	6 00		6 00		
	Florence	177 196	4 50 9 00	• • • • • • • •	4 50		
2	Woodslee	221	6 00		9 00		
	Mount Zion	46	9 00		9 00		
	Glencoe	58 133	6 00		6 00		
	Chesley	221	6 30 9 40		6 30 9 40		
	Rose	28	13 50		13 50	*****	
	North Bay	61	7 50		7 50		
4	Prontag	271	9 00 .		9 00		
	Grand Valley	256	6 00	*****	9 00		
	Charity	129	28 .		28		• • • • • • • •
	Alba	80 254	22 50 .		22 50		
	Grand Union.	97	10 00 . 6 00 .	•••••	10 00		
	Cataragui	10	74 75	\$ 74 75	6 00 .		
	Empire. Grand River.	87	6 40 .		6 40		•••
5	Clinton	91 83	3 00 .		3 00 .		
	Pembroke	203	4 32 . 8 18 .		4 32 . 8 18 .		
	Waterford	935	4 50 . 9 00 .	1000	4 50		• • • • • • •
	Noriolk	305 225	9 00 .		9 00		
		71	3 00		3 00 .		
	Droadview	294	3 00 6 00	*****	3 00 . 6 00		• • • • • • •
6	Walkerton	84	18 50	18 50 15 75			••••••
		220 191	15 75 9 25	15.75			
		114	9 25 19 50	9 25 .	10.00		
	Supplies, U.R.A.	19 5	90		19 50	•••••	
	Reliance	89	44 25	44 25			
	Deseronto	102	9 00		4 34 .		
	Waterloo.	107	65 00	59 00	9 00		
		181	37 50	28 50	9 00		*****
	Kingston	137 59	10 50 72 25	+4'A-	10 50 .		
11,000	Morewood	62	4 50	72 25	4 50		
	nope	69	18 00		18 00	••••••	
	Pontypool	96 42	6 00		6 00		•••••
7	Uak Leat	59	23 25 15 75	23 25			
		28 87	6 00	10 /0	6 00		
100			18 25	18 25			
		44	1 68	10.00	1 68		
	Noriolk 2	25	20 75 17 50	16 26 17 50	4 50		
	Webbwood	19	9 00	00	9 00	• • • • • •	••••
	Britannia 1	98	12 58		12 58		••••
		32	9 00		9 00		全线型

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Date.	LODGE.	No.	Total.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Charter Fee.
1897.			A. S				
Jan. 7	Floral Liberty. Spirit Rock Listowel. Olive Branch. Germania.	252 323 312 160 88 184	10 50 21 20 1 68 15 00	\$ 12 00 18 00	\$ 7 90 6 00 10 50 3 20 1 68 15 00		
	Algoma Fairy Elmira Deseronto Lyn	268 275 216 102 284	9 00 7 53 11 50 24 00 6 00	24 00	9 00 7 53 11 50		
(Alpha Howard Stirling. Gore	154 58 239 34	27 50 28 50 30 75 9 00	27 50 28 50 30 75	9 00		·····
9	Webbwood. Rose. Queen City of Ontario. Central. Equity.	319 28 56 322 232	10 50 21 00 7 50 6 50 4 25	10 50 21 00 4 25	7 50 6 50		
	Excelsior Collingwood Gore Cataract Central	44 54 34 103 322	40 50 34 75 67 75 9 00 23 00	40 50 34 75 67 75	9 00	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Prospect. Canada Florence Nightingale Sycamore.	314 49 66 151 41	37 00 55 25 34 25 18 25 60 00	37 00 50 75 38 25 13 25 60 00	4 60		
11	Avon. Cataraqui 7 Sarnia Albert Grand River Rababah Assarahy	10 126 194 91	3 00 29 25 39 75	29 25 39 75 24 25	3 00		
	Phoenix Grand Valley Friendship. Harmony Lunden.	22 256 65 115 259	27 50 28 25 8 24 7 50 46 50 8 25	28 25 8 25 46 50 8 25	27 50 7 50		,
	Oak Leaf Lucknow Manilla Exeter Parry Sound	159 112 105 67 189	26 00 9 50 9 00 16 25	26 00 9 50	9 00		
-	Mallorytown Hope Peaceful Dove Arthur Garnet Garnet	245 69 135 281 139 139	11 00 25 00 18 75 20 75 15 75 6 00	11 00 25 00 10 25 20 75 15 75	8 50		
12	OakvilleInternational. Silver City	95 132 228 206 206	1 00 85 46 75 8 50 18 75	46 75 18 75	6 60 85 8 50		
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13	Broadview Manilla Waterloo Campbellford	297 80 294 105 107 248	3 00 58 75 27 50 6 85 2 80 18 75 9 25 6 00	58 75 27 50 18 75 9 25	\$ 3 00 6 85 2 80		
	Aspina Midiland. Samaritan Hayden. Olive Branch. Olive Branch. Olive Branch. Olive Branch. Harrows. Harrows. Woodstock. Tecumseh. Simcoe. Princeton. Samaritan. Unity. Valley City. Progress Emerald. Ganancque. Hastings. Thomasburg. Madoc. J. Thomasburg. Madoc. J. S. Marys. Riggley. 2 Riggley. 3 Ri	274 154 35 152 88 13 309 269 182 161 307 35 417 117 158 173 293 779 260 177 277 277 277 277 277 277 277 277 277	9 00 8 50 16 75 30 75 84 00 5 25 22 00 13 75 41 00 82 50 9 00 28 50 13 25 27 50 16 25 27 50 17 60 9 00 18 25 27 50 18 25 27 50 28 50 9 00 18 25 27 50 28 50 9 00 18 25 27 50 28 50 9 00 18 25 27 50 28 50 9 00 18 25 27 50 28 50 28 50 9 00 18 25 27 50 28 50 9 00 18 25 27 50 28 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 5	30 75 34 00 16 50 16 00 18 75 41 00 82 50 28 50 28 50 28 50 13 25 13 25 13 25 13 25 13 25 13 25 13 25 14 20 15 27 50 13 00 13 00 13 00 13 00 13 00 13 00 14 10 15 10 16 25 17 00 18 10 18	6 00 9 00 8 50 16 75 5 25 7 00 9 00 6 00 4 34		
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15	Silver Star	02 05 71 03	21 75 13 25 6 50 14 00 23 50 7 25 17 25 12 00 12 20 10 00 6 00 7 50 13 50	17 25 29 00 22 00 10 00 6 00			
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1897 Jan. 15	The state of the s	000	2 00		9.00		
jan. 15	Liberty	323 270	2 00 18 00	18 00	2 00		777.55
	Wellington Square	178	11 75	11 75			
	Mount Brydges	124 217	29 75 26 50	29 75 26 50			
	Harmony	115	11 00	20 30	11 00		
	Bay of Quinte	143	50		50	h	
	Minto	251 98	17 00 14 75	17 00 14 75			
	Gordon	247	15 25	15 25			
	Teeswater	183	6 25	6 25			
	Millbank	209 301	8 25 9 75	8 25 9 75		*******	
	East Toronto	263	17 25	17 25			
16	Maitland	119	17 50	17 50			
	Fellowship	303 280	1 68 14 50	14 50	1 68		
	Peterboro'	111	57 00	57 00			
	Huron	62	29 75	29 75			
	Dufferin	186 90	1 68 16 25	14 75	1 68 1 50		
	Unity	47	2 00		2 00		
	Cataract	103	2 25 21 75	2 25			
	Argyle	163 212	20 25	21 75 20 25	******		
	Meaford	260	21 00	16 50	4 50		
	Credit	257 167	8 00 8 00	8 00 8 00	,	•••••	
	Beethoven	165	10 50	10 50			•••••
	Union	16	45 50	45 50			
18	Cambridge	188 234	10 25 6 00	10 25 6 00			
	Waterford	235	- 22 25	22 25			
	St. Lawrence	137	33 75 12 60	33 75			
	Royal	286 121	12 60 6 25	12 00 6 25	60		
	Niagara Falls	53	38 75	38 75			
	Lindsay	100	5 18		5 18		
	Egremont	207 292	7 50 16 25	7 50 16 25			
	Gold Hill	261	33 50	33 50			
	MintoCollingwood	98 54	2 50 84		2 50 84	*******	
	St. Clair	106	9 00		9 00		
	Oxford	77 217	14 00	14 00			
	Mt. Brydges	176	7 00 4 25	4 25	7 00		
	Germania	184	31 75	30 75	1 00		
	Aylmer	94	39 50	39 50			
	Glanworth	289 155	9 00 5 75	9 00 5 75			
	Mayflower	297	12 75	11 50	1 25		
	Algoma	267	15 25	15 25			
	Lakeview	272 71	15 50 4 68	15 50	4 68		
19	Nipissing	79	17 25	14 25	3 00		
	Hensall	223	13 00	13 00	777		

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Sydenham Valley		Friendship		30 75				
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Syleman Valley 129 36 00 36 00		Western City	. 29	46 50	46 50			
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Grenville		Crescent	104	15 25	15 25			
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Hastings		Royal Oak	108	20 00	20 00 .			
Howick		Hastings	211	15 25	15 25 :			
District City		Howick	199	3 00		6 00		
District City		Britannia	198	8 00		8 00		•••••
District City		Athena	321	7 00	7 00 .			
District City		Livingstone		7 50	8 25 .			
Electric City		Huron	62	6 00		6 00		
Chesterville				7 50	7 50			
Chesterville		Ottawa	224	42 00	49 00	3 00		
Barrie 321 7 500 7 50			316	11 00	8 00	3 00		
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Comber 298 2 25 2 25			295	6 25	6 25			
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Comber 309 2 25 2 25		Exeter	67	13 00	13 00			• • • • • •
21 Cambridge 85 11 00 11 00			309	2 25		2 25		
21 Cambridge		Constellation	286	11 00	11 00	8 00		
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Jan. 21	Bothwell	74	6 50	\$ 6 50			
	Glençoe	133	13 00	******			
	Ridgetown	124 157	23 75 14 75	23 75 14 75			
	Florence	196	23 25	23 25			
	Alvinston	208	10 00	10 00			
	Rodney	291	18 25	13 25		.,	
22	Eureka. Prospect	30 314	25 25 7 50	25 25	P 7 50		
22	Emerald	173	6 00		\$ 7 50		.1
	Lambton	277	5 90		5 90		
	Orient	134	7 25 1 00	7 25			
23	Woodstock	269	1 00	1 00			· · · · · · ·
	Thamesford	258 90			6 50		
	Barrie	63	2 75		2 75		
1	Learnington	140	1 68		1 68		
	Balmoral	280			8 50		
25	Western Star	149 159			4 50 6 50		
. 20	Rebekah Assembly	108	27 50		27 50		•••••
	Fidelity	55	6 90		6 00		
	Mizpah	127	33 75				
	Lucknow	112 293			2 50 40 00		
	Thomasburg	32	7 50		40 00 7 50		
	Millbank	209	6 00		6 00		
	Fraternity	264			17 2	i	
	OntarioSilver Star	324			7 78		
	Wildey	153					
	Broadview	294	60)	60		
	Port Stanley (G. L. Card)	9				\$ 100	
26	LaurelHildon	245		28 28			
27	Weston	200	9 00				
	Golden Star	101	10 00	i		1000	
	Manotick	29			7 50)	
	HopeGordon	247	1 56		1 50		
	Lindsay	100	29 7				
	Midland	274	30	j	30 00		
	Model	147					
	Freestone	213					
	Dominion	34			2 80		
	Frontier	45		56 50			
	Beaver	82					
	Leamington	140					
	ConcordEnterprise	142 218	16 78 27 78	16 75 27 75			
1,58,000	Woodslee	220	7 25	7 24	100		
27	Comber	298	9 24	9 2			
	Harrow	309	11 00				.,
	Spirit Rock	315					
28	Port Arthur.	24				A	
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Jan. 28	Argyle	212 143	\$ 1 68 31 50		\$ 1 68		
	Belleville	81	31 50 55 50 17 50	31 50 55 50			
	Napanee	86	17 50	55 50 16 50	24		
	Trenton Cataraqui	113	16 50	16 50			
-	Reliance	10	80 00 6 00		80 00 6 00		
	Romeo	164	9 00		9 00		
	Chesterville	288	7 50		7 50		
	Missanabie	163 266	3 84 14 50		3 84 14 50		
	Grey	169	6 00		6 00		
29	Flo. Nightingale	66	9 00		9 00		
	Alpha	211 154	70 1 68		70		
	Sarnia	126	1 00		1 68 1 00		• • • • • • •
	Unity		2 52		2 52		
	Royal	47 286 125	9 00		6 00		
	St. Thomas	76	25 00 85 18	25 00 83 50	1 68		
	Geneva	76 320	3 50 13 75	00 00	3 50		
	Mileage & Per Diem, Empire	87	13,75			\$ 13 75	
	Denovo	170	28 50	28 51 12 25			
	Stirling	239	3 50 13 75 28 50 12 25 9 50 8 00 3 40 18 75 5 25 3 75 4 50 2 43	12 20	9 50		
	Chesley	239 221 301	8 00	8 00			
30	Plattsville St. Clair	106	3 40	10 75	3 40		
	Lucan	70	18 75 5 25 3 75	18 75 5 25			••••••
eb. 1	Gananoque	114 283 321 295	3 75		3 75		
	Earnscliffe	283	4 50 2 43		4 50 2 43		
- N	Manotick	295	50	5.6	2 43		
	Fergus	73 214	50 23 25 18 50	23 25 18 50 17 75 7 50			
	Sudbury	214	23 25 18 50 17 75	18 50			
	Shedden	282 310	17 75 7 50	17 75 7 50			
	North Bay	271 308	4 50		4 50		
	Millbrook	308	18 50	18 50			
	Freestone	282 215	7 50 4 50 18 50 7 74 13 50		7 74 13 50		•••••
	St Clair	106	50		50		*****
	Milton Owen Sound	92	4 00	4 00			
2 3	Beethoven	180 164	16 50 4 00	16 50	4 00		
3	Montana	177	1 50		1 50		
	Union Brock	16	1 50 3 36 9 00		3 36		
1.5	Brock	241	9 00		9 00 .	******	
	Broadview	194			20		
	Denovo	170	7 50 5 25 3 25		20 . 7 50 .		
	Grey	169 195	7 50 5 25 3 25	5 25 3 25			
	Oak Leaf	159	50	3 25	50		•••••
	Crescent	104	50 2 80 24 90				
5 6	Cobourg	136	2 80 24 90 3 00 7 50	23 50	2 80 1 40.		
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ren. o	Valentine Cornucopia Stanley Zeta Kingston The Toronto	306 299 268 311 59 71	\$ 7 25 20 00 9 74 13 00 3 00 4 00	\$ 7 25 20 00 • 13 00	\$ 9 74 3 00 4 00		
9	East Toronto Lindsay Niagara Falls Walkerton Waterford Teeswater Millbrook	263 100 53 84 235 183 308	4 50 1 00 30 6 25 45 6 00 6 00		4 50 1 00 30 6 25 45 6 00		
	Maple Leaf	57 38	1 00 31 00	29 00	1 00 2 00		
11	Thornbury Valley City Reliance	243 117 89	8 25 29 75 4 40	8 25 29 75	4 40		
	Madoc	211 179	1 00	.7	1 00	3	
14	Beaverton Ottawa	249 224	13 50 9 00	13 50	9 00		
	Port Arthur Merlin Thornbury Aurora	244 226 243 248	1 00 6 00 7 50		1 00 6 00 7 50 28		
12	Ridgely	250 190 9	3 00 . 40 . 35 25	35 25	3 00 40		
	Farmersville. Rebekah Assembly Cornucopia	237	7 25 22 30 9 00	7 25	22 30	×	
15	Trenton	113	10 50 . 2 00 .		9 00 10 50 2 00		
	Covenant St. Clair Laurentian Mayflower	52 106 317 297	40 50 48 7 25 1 75.	40 50 . 7 25	1 75		
16	Metropolitan Degree Carleton. Sydenham Valley Enterprise	240 120 218	1 50 1 50 12 50		1 50 1 50 12 50 84		
	Mountain. Defunct Mystic, 128. Oakville Defunct Lodge. Waterford	315 132 235	7 75 1 00 2 00 1 00 18	7 75	2 00	\$ 1 00 1 00	
17	Morewood. Walkerton. Brock. Collingwood.	285 84 9 54		10 25	4 50		
	Sauble	227	4 52		1 50 4 52.		
18	Orient	182 134 104	6 00 . 3 36 . 3 75 .		6 00 . 3 36 3 75 .		······
20 22	Furniture	30	1 25 5 00 3 00		1 25 .	5 00	

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1897.	1987	-	_			-	
Feb. 26	Peterborough	111	\$ 3 00		\$ 3 00		
	Eastern Star	72	4 50		4 50		
	Canada	49	7 00		7 00		
	Acton Otter	204	2 50		2 50		
	North Star	50 68	44 00 7 50	\$ 44 00			
	Grenville	279	7 50 4 50		7 50 4 50		
	Britain	316	50		4 50 50		
	Thamesford	258	1 25		1 25		
	Missanabie	266	3 36		3 36		
23	Rodney	291	4 50		4 50		
20	Alvinston	208	84		84		
	Millbank	209	3 00 60		3 00		
	Millbank Napanee	86	40		60		
	Dolman	174	40	******	40		
	Elmira	216	2 80		2 80	·/····	
26	Spirit Rock	312	45		45		
	Rebekah Assembly		27 50		. 27 50		
27	Spirit Rock	312	1 00		1 00		
	Emerald	315 173	6 00 .		6 00		
ar. 1	Unity	47	56		2 00		
	Barrie	47 63	56		56 56		
	Valentine	305	84	111111	84		
2	Mystic (Defunct Card)	128	1 00 .			\$ 1 00	
3	Thamesville	257	1 25 .		1 25 .		
	Concord	81 142	6 00		4 00		
1	Gordon	247	6 00 .		6 00 .		
5.5	Orion	109	1 12		1 12		
4	Sarnia	126	4 00 .		4 00		•••••
	Orient	134	3 00 .				
	Olive Branch	88	40.		40		
6	Royal Oak	108	84		84 .		
	Ivv	272 90	1 50 . 1 12		1 50 .		
	Ahiram	205	6 72		1 12 6 72		
9		313	3 00 .	*****			
. 10	Norfolk	225	1 25				••••••
	Model	147					
11	Durham	78	6 10		6 10		
	Parry Sound	214 189	3 00 .	*****	3 00		
		188	2 18	*****			
12	Acorn	236	3 00				
	Mountain	315	1 68				
	Romeo	164	75 .		75		
13	Weston	200	3 00				
19	Gordon. Rebekah Assembly	247	25				
. 17	Lilly	51	5 00	·····			\$ 5 00
Y THE WAY	Western	211 93	1 75 3 00				
18	Princeton	307	3 00 6 00	*****	3 00		
10.00		322	3 40				
	Beaver	82	56	*****	3 40 56		
22	Maple Leaf	57	1 40		1 40		*****
	Pyramid	156	7 75	7 75	Medical Control	SEASON SE	CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE

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1897 Mar.		Central	322	2 56		2 56		
		Valentine	305	84		84		/
	25	Alliston (defunct)	171	50 83			50 83	
		Naomi Collingwood	116 54	6 56		6 56 3 50		
municionale e	100	Otter	50	2 10		2 10		AMERICA
100	26 27	Albert East Toronto	194	. 84		. 84		
		Earnscliffe	263 283	1 25		1 25 1 68		
		Mallorytown	245	3 00		3 00		
	29	Delta Norfolk	265 225	1 68		1 68		
		Gordon	247	3 00		3 00 1 50		******
		Kingston	59	78		75		
		Zeta	311	3.00		3 00		
		UnityCataract.	103	2 40		2 40		
		Cataraqui	10	76		75	****	
April	1	Deseronto	102	3 11		3 11		
April	•	Stella	294 125	6 00		6 00		
		Lucan	70	4 50		4 50		
		Sauble	227	1 75		1 75		
		Rideau	241 273	1 25 3 50		1 25 3 50		
	2 3	Woodslee	220	84		84		
	3	Embro Star	229	6 00		6 00		
		Olive Branch	88 198	3 36		8 36 56		
		Peterborough	111	3 36		3 36	1	
		Charity	129	4 50		4 50		
	6	Shedden	310 261	1 12		1 12		
	7	Ripley	287	3 50		1 10 3 50	•••	
	8	Woodstock	269	6 00		6 00		
		Balmoral	280	3 50		3 50		
	9	Cobourg	73 136	2 00		2 00		
		Niagara Falls	53	2 10		2 16		
,		Dominion Supplies	48	30		30		
		Glanworth	289	90		30 90		
w. 11 /		Lambton	277	70		- 70		
	0	Penetangore	172	1 40		1 40		
1	3	Brucefield	97 210	1 25 7 00		1 25 7 00		
		Freestone	215	28		28		
1		Stratford Reb	2	5 00				\$ 5 00
		Dresden	124 211	6 50	15 11 11	5 50 1 00		
		Crescent	104	1 00		1 00		
1	5	LaurentianVivian	317	1.12		1 12		
		Vivian	146 196	6 00 3 50		6 00 3 50		
1	7	Electric City	313	45		3 50	******	
		Ridgely	250	50		50		
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1897. April 20	Olive Branch			*			
20	Prospect	88 314	30		\$ 8		
21	Leamington	140	1 68		1 6		
	Beethoven	165 168	1 68		1 6		
22	Wilton	242	11 00		11 0	0	
24	AlphaZeta	154 311	1 50		1 5		
	Mizpah	127	1 50 3 00		3 0		
26	Acton	204	2 75		2 7		
27	Listowel	160	4 00		4 0		
	Valley City	110 117	15 50 2 50	******	15 50		••••••
- 00	Dominion	48	3 00		3 00)	
/ 28	Gore	107 34	2 00		1 00	}	
	Madoc	179	1 00		100		
	Hayden	152	3 00		3 00	X	
	Oriental	163 65	8 00		3 00 8 00		
	Odd Fellows Relief		10 00			\$ 10 00	
29	Campbellford	245	3 50		3 50)	
	Cicerone	795 153	4 50 1 68		1 68		
	Aylmer	94	3 00		3 0		
	Athena	306	1 25		1 2		
	Tweed	290 86	3 00 6 00		3 00 6 00		
	Woodslee Reb	55	5 00				\$ 5 00
	Acton	204	25 00		25 00		
30	Ancaster	138	3 00 6 00		3 0 6 00		
	Parry Sound	29 189	6 00		6 00		
	Saxon	121	4 50		4 50		
May 1	Broadview	994 303	8 00 5 50		3 00 5 50		
	Laurentian	317	6 00		6 00		
	Beaverton	249	5 50		5 50		
	Cobourg. Owen Sound	136 180	5 50 4 50		5 50 4 50		
	Lyn	284	4 50		4 50		
	Nith	96	5 00		6 00		
3	HespelerLeamington	321 140	3 00 6 00		3 00 6 00		
	Progress	458	7 50		7 50		
	Oakville	132	3 00		3 00		
4	Enterprise	218 178	7 00 4 50		7 00 4 50	,	
	Union	16			7 50		
	Glanworth	289	7 50 3 00		3 00		
6	Ottawa	224 75	1 50 4 50		1 50 4 50		
7 8	Rockliffe	276	1 25		1 25	\$2.58×5962	
8	Deseronto	102	36		36		
	MountainZeta	315	2 05		2 05 2 40		
10	Aberdeen	302	2 40 1 00		1 00		
	Orion	109	3 00		3 00		Medical

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Date LODGE No.	497		1	1000	1	-		
Table Tabl	Date.	LODGE.	No.	Carlo Call	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Charter Fees.
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11 Sydenham Valley 120 50 160 160 170			907					
12	11	Sydenham Valley	190				,	
Second S		Corinthian	120		· · · · · · ·			
Sycamore	12	Lakeview	976					
14 Forgus 73 3 50 3 50 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	photos and the	Sycamore	151					
14		Fergus	79			3 00		
Tamesville	14	Missanbie		91 00				
19 Gordon 241 366 380 39 30 00 00		Thamesville		9 00				
19		Gordon						
Bissel (defunct)	19	Southampton .	205					*******
Design		Bissel (defunct)				30 00		30 00
Crescent	20	Dresden	191					
Shedden		Crescent				3 00		
Ahrram		Shedden		3 00				
Wildey 153 4 50 4 50 28 28 28 Mt. Forest Rebekah 66 5 00 5 00 5 00 28 28 Mt. Forest Rebekah 66 5 00 1 00 5 00 28 28 3 00 3 0	21	Ahiram	205		******			******
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Milbank Milb		North Star	68		******			
25		Mt. Forest Rebekah				20	*******	* *****
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Rebekah Assembly		Egremont						
June 1		Rebekah Assembly	-	97 50				
June 2	27	Golden Star	101	3 00	*****	2 00		
June 1		Koval	286	80				
2	June 1	Penetangore	172	85				
Value Valu	2	I Domasburg		6 00				
Value Valu		Laurel		3 80		3 80		
Farry Sound		Walkerton		4 85				
Carleton 240 42 00 42 00 5 00		Parry Sound	139	25 00 .		- 00	95 00	
Section Sect		C. F. Bingham		5 00 .				
Section Sect		Carleton	240	42 00	42 00			
Dolman		Waterford		50	50			
Victoria 64 4 20 4 20 8	8	Excelsior	44	4 50		4 50		
Milbank 84 4 20 4 20 8		Viete i				75 .		
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7 Elmira. 216 3 00 3 00 13 90 8 Argyle 212 4 50 4 50 13 90 99 Unity 47 50 50 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90 90		Warrings						
Insurance	7	Elmira	70					
8 Areyle 212 4 50 4 50 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10		Insurance	510			3 00 .		
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Waterford	the sale and	Milton	212					
Waterford 235 1 2	9	Unity	242					
Friendship 66 4 00		Waterford	005					
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15 Wakerton 106 00		Hillsburgh		9 00				
15 Wakerton 106 00	1000	Supplies			*****		.,	
15 Walkerton 84 4 85 4 85 16 80	Section 2			100 00	****	75 .	******	
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Kingston 8,59 25 25 25 Rebekah Assembly 72 750 27 50 27 50 Rodney 291 25 25 Vivian 149 17 50 17 50	16	Broadview	904			4 80 .		
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189	7	D.						100
June		Romeo	164 324	75 1 40		1 40		
	18	Pentypoo:	296 232	2 00		2 00		
	19	Frontier	45	30		30		
	21	Cataract	103 52	75 5 50		75 5 50		
		Avon	41	11 35		5 50 11 35		
	23	Listowel	160 302	2 00		2 00		
		Glanworth	289	10	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	2 00	•••••	
	25	Orion	109	26 75	26 75			
	20	Thamesford	314 258	15 56 2 00		50	15 56	
		Valentine	305	2 00	2 00			4
		Alba	254	15 56 2 00 3 36 12 25 25	12 25	3 36		• • • • • •
	28	Mt. Brydges	217	25	25			
-	29	Central	244 322	40 50	••••	40 50		
		East Toronto	263	50 25 29 00		25 29 00		
		Progress	158	29 00 18 50	19 50	29 00		
	•	Pembroke	267 203	29 75	18 50 29 75			
3	29 30	Dominion	48 251	3,00		3 00		
		Wildey	153	50 1 68	50	1 68 1 68		• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
		Dresden	124 131	1 68 1 25		1 68 1 25		
		Spirit Rock	312	25	25	1 25		
uly	1	East Toronto Aberdeen	263 302	1 6A 2 00	1 00			
		Chatham	29	3 50	******	2 00 3 50 2 00		
	2	Riverside	145	2 00 .		2 00		
	•	Gordon	67 247	18 00	18 00	1 00		
		Hanover	233	6 00	6 00			
W. CAS	3	Progress	158	50 25 1 00 .	50 25	1 00		
		Aylmer	158 94 90	85 .		85		
		Albert	194	13 00 40 00	13 00 40 00			• • • • • • • •
	5	Aylmer	194	3 00 .		3 00		
		Walkerton	84 206	20 75 18 25	20 75 18 25	·····		•• •••
		St. Marys	36	26 50	26 50			
	1	Rebekah Assembly	228	13 10 . 47 00	47 00		13 10	
		Mt. Brydges	217	26 50	26 50			
	6	Prince of Wales	230 325	5 25	5 25	40 .		
		Beethoven	165	10 00	10 00			••••••
1000		Sydenham Valley	120	1 00		1 00		
	7	Cataraqui	307	75 50 13 50	75 50 . 18 50 .			••••••
		Waterloo	107	60 50	60 50 .			
		Madoc	179 131	23 25 28 75	23 25 28 75			

Date.	LODGE.	No.	Total.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Charter Fee.
1897.		-	10000			<u> </u>	<u> </u>
July 7	Liberty	323 13	\$ 12 75 33 25 22 75	\$ 12 75 33 25			
	The Toronto	287	22 75 16 75 15 50	22 75 16 75 15 50		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
8	Orion Oriental Hope	109	12 25 22 25	12 25 22 25 24 50	::/:::	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	Beacon Aberdeen Phœnix	302	19 25 15 75	19 25 15 75			
	Cobourg	154 136	28 75 28 75 85	28 75 28 75 85			
	Grand Union	97 204	26 25 1 75 8 10	26 25 1 75			Y::.::
9	Grand Valley	256 41 250	8 10 7 25 66 25 40	7 25 66 25			
	Fidelity	58 55	29 50 6 50	29 50 6 50	40		
	Mallorytown Rideau Teeswater	245 211 183	12 00 41 25 5 75	12 00 41 25 5 75			
	Ridgely Sycamore Garnet	250 151 139	13 50 13 50 16 50	13 50 13 50 16 50			
	Howick Elora Listowel	192 231 160	2 75 16 00	2 75 16 00	e. i		
10	Romeo Nith Belleville	164 96	18 00 42 42 13 75	42 00 . 13 75 .	:::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::::		
	Peaceful Dove	81 68 135	56 25 7 25 12 00	7 25 .	:	:::::::	•••••
	Montana Rose Oak Leaf	177 28 159	6 00 18 50 16 00	6 00 18 50 .			
	Bobcaygeon. Meaford. Maitland.	300 260 119	9 25 16 50	9 25 . 16 50 .			101000
	Progress	231 158	20 00 20 75 29 25	16 00 . 20 75 . 29 25 .		······	
12	Charity Stirling Hayden	429 239 152	28 00 30 75 16 25 3 00	30 65 16 25	28 60		
	Stella. Lucknow Huron	125 112 62	3 00 25 50 30	3 00 . 25 50 . 30 .			
	Stanley. Britain. Silver Star	268 316	7 50 8 75	7 50 8 75			
13	Ontario	202 324 44	15 50 9 75 40 00	40 00			
18	Leamington	66 137 140	38 00 33 75	38 00 33 75			
	Reliance	89	43 75	43 75	75		

Date.	LODGE.	No.	Total.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Charter Fees
1897	Enterprise	218	\$ 26 00	\$ 26 00			
ly 13	Midland	274	7 23	7 23			
	Prospect	314 56	37 00 50 00	37 00 50 00			
	Rebekah Assembly		16 20		16 20		
	Penetangore	172 269	36 00 22 50	36 00 22 50			
	Minerya	197	16 75	16 75			
14	Wilton	242 63	25 25 23 50	25 25 23 50	•••		
	Barrie	80	56 25	56 25			
	Balmoral	280	36 00 22 50 16 75 25 25 23 50 56 25 19 25 17 00	56 25 19 25 17 00	• • • • • • • • • •		
	Thomasburg	293	6 75	17 00 6 75		••••	
	Bracebridge	295 251	15 50	15 50			
14	Olive Branch.	88 230	6 75 15 50 30 50 16 00	30 50 16 00	•••••		
19	Supplies	1777	1 00		1 00	.4	
	Covenant	52 195	39 75 2 50	39 75 2 5			
	Ancaster	138	13 50	13 50			
	Denovo	170	11 00	11 00			
	FergusBervie	73 318	22 25 6 75	21 50 6 75	75	*** ****	
	Unity	47	84 00	84 00			
	Western City	93 191	21 00 9 50	21 00 9 50	•••••		
15	Vivian	146	1 25		1 25		
	Grand River	91 115	23 75 40 75	23 75 40 75	•••••		
	Dolman	174	24 50	24 50	A		
	Lynden	259 88	8 25 84	8 25	84		
	Olive Branch	190	32 50	32 50	09		
	Emerald	173	13 00	13 00 7 50			
	Livingstone	130 258	7 50 28 50	28 50			
	Zeta	258 311	15 00	28 50 15 00			
	Eastern Star	72 77	18 75 12 25	18 75 12 25			
	Gananoque	114	55 00	55 00			
	Owen Sound Sarnia	180 126	16 75 82 00	16 75 32 00	••••••		
	Star	304	13 50	13 50			
	Elmira	216	11 00 16 00	11 00 16 00		••••••	
	Grenville	64 279	16 00 17 50	17 50			
	Ottawa	279 224	9 50		* 50		
	Manilla Orient	105 134	9 50 7 00 38 25 11 75 29 50 12 00 10 25	9 50 7 00			
	Aylmer	94	38 25	38 25			
	Hensall	223 205	11 75 29 50	11 75 29 50			
	Exeter	67 188	12 00	12 00			
16	Cambridge	188 275	10 25 3 00	10 25	3 00	•••••	
10	Warriner	75	15 50	15 50 39 25	9 00	SECTION AND ADDRESS.	1000000

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1897 July 16	Lyn. Saxon. Missanabie Norwood. Milbank. Sutton Valentine Descrotto Samaritan Shedden Comber Port Arthur Wellington Square Chesley Britannia	284 121 266 262 269 168 305 102 35 310 298 244 178 221 198	6 50 11 00 2 00 5 50 8 00 7 00 8 50 24 00 39 75 7 00 11 75 9 00 1 00 7 25	6 50 11 00 2 00 5 50 8 00 7 00 8 50 24 00 39 75 7 00 11 75 25 9 00	1 00		
17	Brougham East Toronto Argyle Thamesford	155 263 212 258	7 25 4 25 16 75 3 00 .	7 25 . 4 25 . 16 75 .	3 00		:::::::
19	Barry Sound Friendship Cornucopia Barry Sound Friendship Cornucopia Barry Star Lambra Lambra Carleton Earnsciife Morewood Chesterville Fraternity Western Star Naomi Webbwood Frontier Equity Simoce Simoce Waterford Norfolk	34 317 1189 65 2299 61 2224 2240 2283 2285 2284 2283 2285 2284 235 247 257 257 257 257 257 257 257 257 257 25	69 50 8 00 8 00 16 50 16 50 20 00 20 20 00 8 25 62 50 42 25 43 25 43 25 43 25 8 00 11 30 4 25 13 75 14 25 13 75 16 50 23 75 15 75 60 00 23 75 16 6 00 23 75 17 60 29 25 34 50 32 50 37	89 56 8 60 8 60 8 60 8 60 8 60 8 60 8 60 8	75 0.05 85 85 86 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80 80		

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1897. July 19	Trenton	113	\$ 11 50	\$ 11 56			
uly 18	Fellowship	303	9 75	9 75			
	Brock	9 125	35 75 24 75	35 75 24 75			
	Chesley	221	8 25	8 25			
	Spirit Rock	312 132	9 75 14 50	9 75 14 50			
	Clifford	214	17 00	17 00			
19	Kingston	59	74 50	74 50			
	Kingston	59 227	25 00 11 60	25 00 11 60			
	Hespeler	321	7 75	7 75			
	Golden Star	249	10 00 7 75	10 00 7 75			
20	Caledonia	253	4 50	4 50			
	Broadview	294 236	30 00 6 75	30 00 6 75			
	Minnetonka	292	16 00	16 00			
i beşt	Gold Hill	261 79	36 00 83 50	36 00 83 50			
	Mayflower	297 308	11 00	11 00			
	MillbrookSudbary	282	18 75 17 50	18 75 17 50			
	Durham	78	29 00	29 00			
	Lakeview Athena	272 306	16 50 8 75	16 50 8 75			
	Aurora	148	18 00	17 25	75		
	Argyle	176 212	4 25 - 20 50	4 25 20 50	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •		
8	Floral	252 322	16 50	16 50			
1	CentralQueen City	56	26 00 1 60	26 00	1 60	•••••	
	Otter	50 82	42 00	42 00			
	Beaver I earnington	140	18 60 31 00	18 60 31 00			
	Concord	142	48 25	18 25			í
	HarrowCollingwood	-809 54	11 50 34 50	11 50 34 50			
	Ilderton	54 234	6 75	6 75			
21	Royal	32 286	57 00 12 75	57 00 12 75			
	Crescent	104	73 00	73 00			
•	Weston	200 111	9 00 49-75	9 00 49 75		·····	
	Rockliffe	278	40 75	40 75			
	Forest City	38 273	28 50 9 50	28 50 9 50	••••••		***
	Lilly	211	14 50	14 50			
	Royal Oak	108 153	17 50 15 75	17 50 15 75		•••••	
	Union	16	43 25	43 25			
	Empire	87 248	29 25 19 90	29 25 19 00	90		
00	Grey	169	5 00	5 00			
22	Lindsay Electric City	100 313	29 75 8 50 9 00	29 75 8 50			
	Maple Leaf	57	9 00	9 00	ARCHIO MACA	100 12 to 100 to	N 200 15 A C

Date.	LODGE.	No.	Total.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Charter Fee.
1897. July 24	Credit	257	* * * *	7			
July 22	Eureka	30	\$ 5 00 25 25 1 7 8 50 6 50	\$ 5 00 25 25	ř		
	Glencoe	133	1 7		1 70		
	Mt. Zion Bothwell	46	8 50	8 50			
	Glencoe	74 133	13 00	6 50 13 00			
	Ridgetown	144	23 75	28 75			
	Thamesville	157	15 75	15 75			
	Alvinston	190 208	20 75 10 00	20 75 10 00			
	Rodney	291	11 25	11 25			
	North Bay	271	28 75	23 75			
	Milton	92	4 00	4 00			
	Parry Sound	76 189	1 50 1 00	1 00	1 50		
23	Lakeview	272	4 50	2 25	2 25		
	Egremont	207	7 25	7 25			
	Vivian	244	17 25 16 15	17 25 16 75		******	
	Plattsville	. 01	10 25	19 25	•• ••••		
24	Lucan	70	5 25	5 25			
	Samaritan	35 108	1 70 12 00	10.00	1 70		
4	Woodslee	220	8 50	12 00 8 50			
	Merlin	226	8 50 2 00		2 00		
91	Prospect	314	3 50 . 22 17		3 50		
31 26	Nipissing	79	8 50 2 00 3 50 22 17 14 00	14 00		\$ 22 17	
	Napanee	86	14 00 20 00	20 00			
	Bay of Quinte Thomasburg	143	20 00 27 75 1 25 2 10	27 75			
	Friendship	293 65	2 10		1 25 2 10		
	Otonabee	13	1 25 . 2 10 . 75 00 .		75 00		
	Earnscliffe	2-3	85		85		
	Clinton	320 83	11 55 16 75	8 00 16 75	3 55		
	Constellation	85	11 50	11 50		******	
	Pontypool	296	16 75 11 50 10 25 37 50	10 25 .			
	Dominion	48 156	37 50	37 50 .			
	Laurel	110	4 25 27 00	27 00			
27	Arthur	284	4 91		4 21		7
41	Reliance	215 89	6 00	6 00			
	Charity	129	7 25	7 25	75 .		
DO	North Bay	271	9 00		9 00 .		
28	Glanworth	33 289	2 00 9 75	2 00 · 9 75 ·			
29 80	St. Clair	106	9 75	9 75 . 19 75 .			
80	Central	322 200	50 .	10 10	50		erretere.
	The Toronto	200	25 .		25 .		
	The Toronto	71	25 1 50	25 .	1 50		
	Plattsville	301	50	50 .	1 00		
31	Flo. Nightingale	66	75		75		
01	Georgian Bay	219 59	23 00 3 00 3 00	23 00 .			
ug. 4	Belleville	81	3 00		3 00		
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1897.				0	u)	- vo	Ü
Aug. 4	Hespeler	321					
5	Thornbury	243	\$, 20 8 25	8 25	\$ 20		
	Earnscliffe	283	85	0 20	85		
9	Frontier Princeton	45	3 36				
12	Geneva	307 320	1 00		1 00		
14	Marion	131	25 85		25		
	Alba	154	50	• • • • • • • • •	85		
16	Tweed	290	14 75	14 75	50		
	Equity	232	85		85		
17	Bracebridge Waterford.	251	84		84		•••••
18 19	Naomi	235 116	1 00		1 00		
19	Norwood	262	11 00		11 00		
	Lilly.	211	2 00		56		
	Constellation	85	1 16		2 00 1 16		
20	Ripley	287	1 05		1 05	****	
21	Napanee	86	25		25		•••
	Western Star.	281	85		85		
23	Napanee	149 86	1 25 1 15		1 25		
	Acorn	236	1 15		1 15		
pt. 1	Supplies	200	2 09		2 00 6 48	• • • • • • • •	
3	Woodstock	269	85		85		
3	Queen City	55	8 00		8 00		
	Peabody (defunct)	***	1 00		1 00		
		240	50		50 .		
6	International	999	80 . 2 68		80		
	Hensall	53 228 223	60		2 68 . 60 .		
8	Dresden	194	1 00	••••	1 00		
14	Lucan	70 201 120 241	3 50		3 50		• • • • • • •
	Beacon Sydenham Valley	201	45 .		45		21.44
15	Rideau	120	50 .		50		
16		148	1 68 .		1 68 .		
16 16 18 22 23 24	The Toronto	72	40	•••••	28 . 40		
18	Ontario	324	60		60		• • • • • • • •
22	Lindsay	100	1 50		1 50		
20	Georgian Bay	219	36 .		36		
- 43	Flo. Nightingale	66	1 25		1 25		
		132	60		60 .		
1.300	International	228	1 40 1 25		1 40.		
27	Victoria	64	1 68		1 25 1 68		
t. 2	Alvinston	208	200	*****	1 68		
	Dolman	174	20 . 50 .		50		
	Fairy	275	2 10		2 10		
6	Supplies, G. Bell		3 50		3 50		
	SuttonAlbert	168	3 50 4 00 2 33 2 40 1 68 1 75		85		
t of load	Southampton	194	4 00		4 00		
12	Komeo	164	2 33		2 33 2 40 1 66		
	Unity	47	1 89		2 40		
	Hayden	152	1 75		1 66		
20 23	Walkerton	84	60		1 10		
	Alpha 1	54	60		60		
SECURITION AND	rey	169	48		58		

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1897			\$ 100		s 1 00		
Oct. 23	Thamesville	157 190	1 68		1 68		
	Balmoral	280	45		45		
	Millbank	208	84 50		84 50		
26 27	Oakville	132	25		25		
41	Geneva	320	25		25		
	Chatham	29	8 00 4 33		8 00		
	Owen Sound	180	4 33 3 00		3 00	and the same	
28	Arthur	217	4 00		4 00		
	Maple Leaf	57	20		20		
	Princeton	. 307	70		70		
	Fairy	275	8 00 1 68		1 66		
Nov. 2	Parry Sound Progress	158			85		
140v. 2	Fergus	73	84		84		
4	Tecumseh	. 182	20		1 50		
5	Argyle	212			4 00		
8	Mt. Brydges	217	2 08		2 08		
10	Ancaster	138	1 00		1 00		
Y	Minto	. 98	1 00		1 00		
11	Chatham	194	1 50		150		
12 13	Albert	294	1 25		1 2		
10	Dresden	124	85		84		
15	Amity	. 80	7 00		7 00		
	Harrow	309			3 36		
7	Concord	260	35		34		
	Alpha	. 154	2 00		2 00		
22	Peterboro'	. 111	3 36		9 36		
١.	Empire	182	8 00		200		
. 24	Clinton	83			1 2		
Dec. 1	Mayflower	. 297	1 93		,190		
Tillian	Argve	. 219	50		1.00		
9	Prospect	314			1 2		
	Royal Oak	100			54		
	Albert	. 194			76		
10	Prospect	. 314			28 0	*****	
	Nipissing	327			20 U	1	30 0
	Elora	231	2 10		2 10		
13	Samaritan	34			2 60		
14	Britain	. 316			1 40		
	Woodstock	269					30 0
	Morewood	28	1 49		1 49		
	Supplies		60		60		
16	Acorn	236			54		
	Elgin Central	32			1 2		
17	Orion	. 109	1 15		î		
	Orient	. 134	60		6		
20	Carleton	. 240	3 8		3 8		4.5

Date.	LODGE.	No.	Total.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	Sundries.	Charter Fees.
1897 Dec. 22	Royal Oak						
Dec. 22	Tecumseh	108 182	- 51	3	\$ 50 56		::::::
24	St. Mary's	36	1 65	3	1 00		
27	Beacon Penetangore	160 201 172	3 00 1 00 - 84		3 00 1 00 84		
80	Hanover	233 70	1 68		75		
31	Western Star	149	1 68 2 18 23 79		1 68 2 18	23 79	
	Total		13842 69	11045 18	2368 41	319 20	110 00

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ABSTRACT FROM THE RETURNS OF LODGES FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1897.

Lodges.		
No. of Lodges, 31st December, 1896		272
Instituted during the year 1897		1
Resuscitated during 1897		. 1
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No. of Lodges, 31st December, 1897		274
Membership.		
Initiated	1,424	
Reinstated	125	
Admitted by Card	102	
		1,651
Suspended for cause	4	
. N. P. D	1,250	
Withdrawn	160	
Expelled	10	
Died	154	
		1,578
		-
Net Increase		73
Membership 31st December, 1896	2	2,669
Membership 31st December, 1897	,	2,742
Average Membership per Lodge, 83.00.		77.7
RELIEF FOR YEAR 1897.		
Number of Brothers who received Sick Benefits3,328		
Amount paid Sick Benefits	C	
"Surgeons' Fees	\$51,7	90 80
" Nursing Sick Brothers		42 79
" Relief of Widows		18 98
" Burying Deceased Brothers		37 35
" Special Relief and Charity		36 61
	313.	,
Total	\$82,6	18 00
An average of \$226.35 for each day of 1897.		
Number of Brothers who received Sick Benefits 3,328		
Being one in each 6.83 of the entire membership.		
Number of Weeks' Sickness 17,570#		
Amount paid for Sick Benefits	\$51,7	01 47
Average amount received by each Sick Brother		15 56
Average cost per Member for Sick Benefits		2 27
Average duration of Sickness 5 weeks, I day, 14 hours,		ta in the
54 minutes, 22 seconds.		
Average duration of Sickness if spread over the entire mem-		
bership 5 days, 9 hours, 57 min., 5 seconds.		
Amount paid Surgeons' Fees and Nurses	8,5	33 59

Average cost per Member....

Amount paid to Widows and Orphans	
	12,218
	54
Amount baid Funeral Benefits.	
Average cost per Member	6,737 3
	43 7
	3,336 6
	3,330 0
	82,618 0
Total paid Current Expenses	64,681 8
Total Disbursements	\$ p. coo. 9
Average cost per Member for Relief and Charity	\$147,299 8 \$3 63
" Current Expenses	2 84
Total average cost per Member for all purposes	¢6 '
i otal Receipts per Member	\$6 47
Excess of Receipts over Expenditure per Member	9 99
	3 52
RECEIPTS OF LODGES.	
nitiation, Admission by Card, and Degrees	\$20,572 8
Average per Member	
verage per Member	129,919 9
Average per Member	75
	59,938 6
	16,018 8
Total Receipts	99 \$226,450 2
ASSETS AND HOW INVESTED.	
ash in Bank and in Treasurer's hands.	e-06
invested in Mortpapes and Securities	\$186,541 0
	316,504 24 300,375 4
nyested in Furniture and Regalia	182,900 6
all other Assets	39,506 9
Total Assets	\$1,025,828 20
Other Liabilities	V may 7, 1
Total Liabilities	76,083 74
Assets over Liabilities	
	\$949,744 46
Funds.	
eneral Fund	. \$867,000 82
urse Fund	. 368 98
Total Funds	
	. \$949,744 36

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ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS FOR SIX MONTHS, ENDING 30th JUNE, 1898.

Number of Lodges			27	8
Membership.				
Membership 31st December, 1897	806 67 83	956 ′	2274	5
Suspended for Cause	1 513 106 10 88	718		
Net Increase		710	23 2298	8
Number of Brothers who received Sick Benefits Number of Weeks' Sickness	6	258 582 9		
Amount paid for Sick Benefits, Surgeon and Nursing Amount paid for Funeral Benefits, Special Relief and to Widows and Orphans			9962 8 1743 3	
Total Benefits and Relief	•	\$41	706 1	4

MEMBERSHIP, SICKNESS, DEATHS AND AVERAGES FOR THE YEAR 1807.

ğ	9 14	22		, 50	90	. 45	, 981	, 912	243	, 892	. 262	316	
Lodges in Groups of 24.	to 51	94 "	" 102	92	156	184	" 215	242	267	16z "	315	325	
Number of Mem- bers.	3,796	2,805	2,324	2,673	1,637	1,519	1,439	1,860	1,301	1,450	1,285	653	22,742
Number of Broth- ers Sick,	670	433	350	403	236	238	254	224	139	141	155	55	3.328
Average age of Sick,	46.21	42.18	39.99	40.40	43.29	40.23	38.08	39.30	37.53	42.09	36.09	21.94	41.19
Average Duration of Sickness.	Wes. Dys. 7 1.20	5 1.75	5 3.25	5 1.50	4 4.50	5 0.50	4 3-33	4 0.20	3 2.50	4 1.33	3 3.33	3.4	5 1.8
Ratio of Members	i ii	*, 1 S	3 1 6	;	-	30 1	3 1	;	:	3 1 %	: -	-	
Sick.	3.66	6.47	6.64	6.63	6.93	6.38	2.66	8.30	9.35	8.47	8.29	11.87	6.82
Number of Weeks'	4,805.3	2,276.4	1,932.3	2,117	1,205.2	1,214.3	1,138.5	905.2	470.1	709.1	240	1961	17.510.5
Average Sickness per Member,	₹∞	S 16		5 13	•	s	5 12		2 11	3 10	2 22		
•	1 19	16.4	19.2	13.6	3.6	14.3	12.2	8.6	6.11	10.1	22.5	2.5	0.2
Sick Benefits— Nursing and Surgeon,	\$. 15,624 6	8,168 1	5,684 0	7,980 3	3,715 9	3,947 9	4,192 3	3,216 8	2,045 8	2,603 7	23,336 0	809 0	60 725 0
Cost per Member.	c.\$ c.	182 91	062 44	303 23	992 27	992 59	372 91	831 72	831 57	77 10	041 81	071 23	190
Number of Broth- ers Died,	33	23	18	13	6	2	19	13	ю	7	6	-	157
Eatio of Members	1 in 118.06	1 " 121.95	1 " 129.66	1 " 205.61	1 " 181,88	1 " 151.90	1 " 75-73	1 " 143.07	1 " 433.66	1 4 207.14	1 " 214.16	1 " 653.00	1 41 147 60
Average Age at Death.	58.80	43.73	45.11	48.61	40.76	46.20	42.84	42.76	48.33	36.14	34.83	24.00	13 97

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COMPARATIVE TABLE SHOWING THE MEMBERSHIP, SICKNESS, DEATHS, Erc., WITH AVERAGES FOR THE PAST THIRTEEN YEARS, TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1897.

No. of Members No. of Members No. of Members No. of Members Sick Benefits 1685 1786 1766 17707 18390 19452 20558 21685 22178 22669 2272 2407 3037 3317 3019 2865 3113 3328 Average Funeral Per Members No. of Members No. of Members Sick Benefits 1185,4 \$8 49 \$8 90 \$8 58 1 in 8.23 1 in 8.10 in 5.96 in 7.64 in 6.40 in 6.81 in 7.74 in 7.74 in 7.28 in 6.83 Average cost per member for Sick Benefits 81.2 95,816 14,814 27,817 15 \$15.98 \$15.22 \$17.33 \$15.19 \$14.45 \$14.73 \$15.74 in 7.74 in 7.28 in 6.83 Average cost per member for Sick Benefits 81.2 91.0 \$1.0 \$1.3 \$1.3 \$1.3 \$1.3 \$1.3 \$1.3 \$1.3 \$1.3	1	1884	1885	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1681	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897
No. of Members Wile received Total No. Company State 11787 1952 2001 2972 2407 3037 3317 3019 2865 3113 3328 Ratio	No. of Members.	14330	14501	1447	15354	09091	16940	17707	18390	19452	20558	21685	22178	22669	22742
Ratio ************************************	No. of Members who received Sick Benefits	1685	1708	1668	1787	1952	2091	2972	2407	3037	3317	3019	2865	3113	3328
Average amount Paid each \$12 95 \$16 14 \$14 27 \$17 15 \$15 918 \$15 22 \$13 33 \$15 19 \$14 53 \$16 72 \$14 73 \$15 40 \$16 06 \$18 12 Total No. of Charles	Ratio	I in 8.54	\$8 49	98	\$8 58	I in 8.23	1 in 8. 10	1 in 5.96	1 in 7.64	r in 6.40	r in 6 48	1 in 7.18	r in 7.74	1 in 7.28	r in 6.83
Total No. of weeks sickness. 7202# 7754# 7896# 8624 10231# 10261# 11842# 14046# 14598# 14558# 14600 16052 17510# Average cost per member for Side memb	Average amount paid each	\$12 95	\$16 14	\$14 27	\$17.15	\$15 98	\$15 22	\$13 33	\$15 19	\$14 53	\$16 72	\$ 14 73	\$15 40	\$16 06	\$18 12
Average cost per member \$1 52 \$1 90\$1 604 \$1 73 \$1 88 \$1 89 7 56 6 68 \$3.07 7.05 6.36 7 6.71 7.05 6.74 Average Per member for Such Such Such Such Such Such Such Such	Total No. of weeks' sickness.	72024	77547	78964	8624	10231	19201	12539\$	118424	14046	14695#	14558\$	14600	16052	17510
Average cost per member for Sick Brook of \$1 73 \$1 88 \$1 88 \$2 23 \$1 99 \$2 26 \$2 55 \$2 05 \$2 00 \$2 21 \$2 27 80. of Deaths \$6 91 94 99 103 110 134 123 157 145 138 149 173 154 Ratio per 1000 6.00 6.27 6.33 6.44 6.41 6.49 7.56 6.68 8.07 7.05 6.367 6.71 7.63 6.74 Average Funeral Benefits paid in each case \$37 66934 29\$3 0.4\$31 20 \$30 85 \$26 87 \$36 22 \$42 20 \$42 15 \$41 00 \$24 52 \$40 79 \$36 22 \$43 43	Av. days' sickness per member	3.51	3.74	3.72	3.93	4.45	454	4.95	4.50	5.05	5.02	•	4.68	4.95	5.38
No. of Deaths. 86 91 94 99 103 110 134 123 157 145 138 149 173 154 Ratio per 1000., 6.00 6.27 6.33 6.44 6.41 6.49 7.56 6.68 8.07 7.05 6.367 6.71 7.63 6.74 Average Funeral Benefits paid in each case \$37 66 \$34 29 \$30 14 \$31 20 \$30 85 \$26 87 \$36 22 \$42 20 \$42 15 \$41 00 \$24 52 \$40 79 \$36 22 \$43 42	Average cost per member for Sick Benefits	\$1 52	% jo	Fr 604	\$i 73	88 I \$	% 1 88	\$2 23	% 1 99	\$2 26	\$2 55	\$2 05	\$2 00	\$2 21	\$2 27
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Average Funeral Denefits paid in Part 2018 14831 20 830 85 826 87 836 22 842 20 842 15 841 00 824 52 840 79 836 22 843 42	Ratio per 1000.	6.00	6.27	6.33	6.44	6.41	6.49	7.56	89.9	8.07	7.05	6.367	6.71	7.63	6.74
	Average Funeral Benefits paid in each case	\$27 66	34 29	30 14	831 20	\$30 85	\$26 87	\$36 22	\$42 20	842 15	\$41 00	\$24 52	\$40 79	\$16 22	\$43.42

COMPARATIVE TABLE SHOWING THE MEMBERSHIP, SICKNESS, DEATHS, ETC., WITH AVERAGES FOR

Benefits paid in \$27 66\\$34 29\\$30 14\\$31 20 \$30 85 \$26 87 \$36 22 \$42 20 \$42 15 \$41 00 \$24 52 \$40 79 \$36 22 \$43 42

1	1884	1885	1886	1887	1884 1885 1886 1887 1888 1889 1890 1891 1892 1893 1894 1895 1896 1897	1889	1890	1681	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	1897
Average cost per memberforFun- eral Benefits	91.0		61.0	0.20	0.214 0.19 0.20 0.194 0.173 0.28	0.173	9.28	0.28	0.28 0.343 0.283	0.283	0.264	0.274	0.264 0.278 0.278	0.296
6w.cost permem. ber for Sick and Funeral Bene's. \$1 683 ft2 114\$1 794 \$1 93 \$4 072 \$2 054 \$2 50 \$2 27 \$2 604 \$2 832 \$2 314 \$2 275 \$2 458 \$2 57	\$ 1 68	F2 11	62 18	\$1 93	\$ 4 07 3	\$2 o5	\$2 50	\$2 27	\$2 60§	\$2 83	\$2 31\$	\$2 27	\$2 48	\$ 2 57
Av. receipt from each member for Dues	5 24	4 99	5 38	5 24 4 99 5 38 5 39	5 49	5 49	5 52	5 49 5 49 5 52 5 57 5 458 5 478 5 60 5 48 5 57 5 71	5 45	5 473	\$ 6	5 48	5 57	5 71
Av. receipt per member for Ini- tiations & Deg's.	1 78	1 50	1 78 1 50 1 72 1 66	99 1	8	1 78	1.75	2 00 1 78 1 75 1 63 1 684 1 69 1 50 1 15 1 16	1 684	1 89	1 50	. i 15	91 1	· 8:
Av. receipt per member from all other sources.	2 03	2.25	2.09	£.93	2 03 2:25 2:09 4:93 2 48 2 33 2 13	2 33	2 13	1 07	1 07 2 194 2 194 2 25 2 96 3 57	2 194	2 25	2 96	3 57	\ ° E ¥
Av. total receipt	9 05	8 74	9 05 8 74 9 9 8 98	% 8 86	9 97	9 6	9 40	9 40 9 27	9 33 9 36	9 36	9 35	9 59	9 59 10 30	9 95
Av. cost per mem- ber for current expenses	3 28	3 85	3, 59	3 64	3 28 3 85 3 59 3 64 4 36 4 37 3 96 4 14	4 37	3 96	41 4	3 13	2 43	3 50		3 30	2 84
Av. cost per member for Sick and Funeral Bene'ts and current ex.	8	6 18			4 96 6 18 5 38 5 57 6 4 38 6 4 24 6 46 6 41 5 734 5 274 7 16 5 08 5 788	6 42	6 46	6 41	5 73\$	5 273	7 16	\$ 08	5 783	5 41

RECORD OF MEMBERSHIP IN ONTARIO AT EACH AGE FOR THE YEAR 1897, SHOWING RATIO OF SICKNESS AND DEATHS, ETC., ETC.

-	88	-	pped.	899	1.26	897	ick.	Γ	4	# E		T
l Age.	31,	Ceased.	Died.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1896	Added 1897.	Members Dec. 31, 1897	Number Sick.	Weeks Sickness.	Average Weeks Sick- ness per Member.	Number Sick Entire Year.	Cost to pay \$3 per week Sick Benefit.	Age.
21	246	2			188	188	3	6	0.031		0.093	21
22	427 580	8		242	124	366	32	1247	0.338		1.014	22
24	672	37	I	419	120	539 677	44	186	0.345		1.035	23
25	747	43	3 2	557 632	120	077	57 80	1797	0.264		.792	24
25	807	56	ī	702	95	727 796	72	275#	.378		1.134	25
27 28	8co	57	3	750	94 89	839	104	4209	.324		.972	26
28	862		9	740	87	827	112	4517	-545	1	1.521	27 28
29	922	74 68	1	787	63	850	94	401	.472	i	1.416	29
30 31	924	61	6	847	62	909	III	490	-539	I	1.617	30
32	912 882	68	3 2	850 848	68	918	IIO	4584	.499		1.497	31
33	853	67	2	812	47	895 865	95	3514	-393	I	1.179	32
34	1006	72	5 5 1	781	53 63 69	844	97	3917	-452	• • • • •	1.356	33
35 36	842	98	ĭ	929	60	998	141	449 7 742 7	·533 ·743	1	1.599	34
36	842	63	9	743	40	783	113	5567	.710		2.229	35 36
37 38 39	777	59	6	770	39	800	113	476	.588	Ι.	1.764	27
30	717 675	55	5	712	30 28	742 685	105	357 418 9	.464		1.392	37 38
39	679	34	2	657 641	28	685	105	4189	.611		1.392	39
40 41	629	53 48	2	624	35	676	127 82	7007	1.037	3	3.111	40
42	559	35		579	21	635		281 4 449 8	.443		1.329	4I
43	579	35 28	5 5 7	520	18	538	97 89	4497	.749 .819	1	2.247	42
44	520	41	5	546	16	562	84	4157	739	3	2.457	43
45	528	25 18 26	7	474	17	491	76	371	.755			
40	471	18	4	496	10	506	54	2144	.423	2	1.269	45 46
47	427	17	4	449 388	4	453	77	4597	1.013	2 2	3.039	47
40	350	20	4	406	II	399 416	72	3914	180.	2	2.943	47 48
50	322	21	3	326	5	331	74	342 486#	1.469	1	2.466	490
49 50 51	306	14	2	298	4	302	74 78 61	4217	1.409	4 2	4.407	49.5
52	298	II		290	3	293	61	285	973	1	4.182	51 52
53	350	10	2	286		293 287	48	3024	1.054		3.162	53
54	214	12	1	338	1	339	41	254	.750	3		54
59	187	5 5 8	5	210	••••	210	52	374#	1.783	2		55
57	135	8		176	1	227 176	42	2394	1.056	I	3.168	55 56
58	140	2	5	122		122	37	331#	1.883	3	5 649	57 58
59	128	1	i	135		135	27	2579 2139	1.582	2 I	6.339	58
60	98	1		126		126		269#	2.139	2	6.417	59
OI	114	ľ	5 3 2	97		97	34 28	3044	3.141	3	9.423	51
62	78	I	3	108	I	109	28	2854	2.614	4		52
52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64	77 76 .	1	3	74	I	75 75	29	209#	2.792	2	8.376	53
	1.		31	74	1	75	32	341	4.546	2		54

RECORD OF MEMBERSHIP IN ONTARIO AT EACH AGE FOR THE YEAR 1897, SHOWING RATIO OF SICKNESS AND DEATHS, ETC., ETC.—Continued.

The Second	ber 31, 1896	Dro	pped.	1896	897.	1897	Sick.		ck-	Sick	it k	-
I TEEC.	Number Dec. 31,	Ceased.	Died.	Remaining Dec. 31, 1896	Added 1897.	Members Dec. 31, 1897	Number Sick,	Weeks Sickness.	Average Weeks Sick- ness per Member.	Number Sick Entire Year.	Cost to pay \$3 per week. Sick Benefit.	Ace
56 78 90 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 90 1 2 3 4 5 5	777 50 48 31 26 25 19 7 7 12 3 3 5 1 1 1 2 2 2 2	I I	3 3 3 4 3 1 1 I	73 73 73 43 25 23 24 19 6 11 2 4	<i>(</i>	73 73 73 47 44 425 23 24 19 6 11 2 4	31 33 17 21 16 12 7 6 4 4 4 3 3 2 2 2 2 2	229# 314# 169# 225# 157# 195# 105# 116 44# 80 65 17 53 14 45 53	3.142 4.305 3.604 5.123 6.285 8.490 4.387 6.105 7.414 7.272 32.500 4.25 5.3.500 45.000 53.00	5 2 2 1 2 1 1 1	9.426 12.915 10.812 15.369 18.855 25.470 13.461 18.315 22.242 21.816 90.12.75 15.00 12.75 15.00 135.00 135.00	666667777777777777788888888888888888888
-	22669	1424			1651		3338	175105				

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.093 21 .014 22 .035 23 .792 24 .134 25 .521 27 .635 28 .416 29 .647 30 .497 31 .179 32 .329 31 .199 32 .329 35 .339 37 .329 31 .329 41 .329 45 .339 47 .339 48 .349 49 .349 4

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TABLE SHOWING TOTAL SICK BENEFITS, NURSING AND SURGEON. WIDOWS AND ORPHANS.

Year.	No. of Lodges.	Members.	Initiated.	By Card.	Re-instated	Withdrawn	Suspended.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Revenue.		Benefits		Average Lodge M'bership
1856	12	605	171	11		21	38	20	2	. 11		\$299	00	
1857	15	738	200		7	22		39 67	2			796		49.20
1858	15	738	167	7	16		50	67				467	74	49.20
1859 1860	12	556		3	6	23	56	108	6			596	00	46.30
1860	13	534		4			72	48	6			1338		41 00
1861	14	544		2	13	14	79 63	43	4			1242	68	31.93
1862	15	500		7	3	27	63	29	4	0 .		803	00	31.93
1863	15	573	82	5	3 9	15	94	3+	6	\$3174	60		48	33.37
1864	16	512	142	10	35	12				4104		1040	20	30.21
1865	14	. 539	155	7	5	16	65	2	5 7	4165	41	826	98	32.03
1866	15	647	211	II	5 5 8	26	36	3	II	6013				30.50
1867	14	907	287	24	12	80	49	2	1	8635	13	1382	00	64.80
1868	17	1103	399	- 29	7	44	35			9948	-3			
1869	20	1443	484	40	14	67	113	7	7 7	12220	27	2145	24	64.88
1870	- 30	2302	758	91	13	109	147	2	17	13332	59	2547	70	72.15
1871	44	3495	1250	141	21	184	177	3 7	21	28865		3290	26	76.73
1872	66	5079	1864	206	18	294	334	7			97	4716	53	79.43
1873	86	6774		223	20	355	412	16	25 46	42974		6277	95	76.95
1874	115	8578	2430	226	46	396	436	19	40	58615		10822	78	78.76
1875	141	10188	2360	351	46 85	448	617	23	56	42861		12963	37	74.60
1876	156	11322		266	65	386	980	22	52	8999		16187	92	72.25
1877	175	12172		296	176	470	885		73	98214		19403	20	73.28
1878	180	12332		190	88		3316	30	89	107561		22080	84	69.55
1879	186	12441		190	103		1206	23	77	106866		21287	92	68.51
188o	188	12168	1205	97	150			51	79 87	101723	94	25141	47	66.89
1881	192	12776	1781	151	177	20/	1553	23	07	102424	38	26075	76	64.72
1881	192	13082	808	76	176			60	74	113951	81	29719	47	66.54
8828	202	13861		196	82	117	485	16	49	58824	53	16205	67	68.13
883	204	14173		165	139		1089	26	98	141474		34488	07	68.61
884	204	14330			118	274	1100	10	84	129375		3888 I	72	69.47
885	208	14501		132	118	261		13	86	129832		11224	56	70.24
886	211	14847	1505			234			91	126787	60	14072	38	70.15
887	254	15252	1524	139	140		1130	9	94	136536	10	17507	68	70.36
888	218	15353 16060		140	141	225		7	99	137981	19	52232		71.41
889	214	16000	799	152	161	264		IO	103	159975	91	3878	67	73.66
890	222	16940	1054	210	159	256	929	8	IIO	162758	626	2522	04	75.66
891		17707	1950	183	209	289	1136	16	134	166533	527	1374	90	76.31
892	237	18390	1841	162	156	264	1063	15	123	170454	096	5293	84	77.59
893	234	19452	2155	144	168	305	918	14	157	181509	487		94	79.72
093	254	20558	2262	167	153	342	981	7	145	192557	157	5176	75	80.90
894	262	21685		202	166	296 1	1050	13	138	202780			44	82.73
895	269	22178		143	190		108	12	149	212970	85		79	82.45
896	272	22669		187	155	266 1	210	IO	173	233483	788		75	83.35
897	27.4	22742	424	102	129	1891	254	IO	154	226450	200	2618	89	82 28

Annual Receipts not given on the Returns.

† Expulsions for cause only; hitherto members were expelled for N.P.D.

† This is the term ending 31st December, 1882.

† This is for the year ending 31st December, 1882, from which date all yearly statements are afterwards made.

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50. 464 49. 204 49. 204 49. 204 41. 003 33. 373 38. 201 38. 203 38. 204 64. 808 72. 155 76. 73 76. 95 77. 22. 25 76. 73 76. 95 77. 22. 25 76. 73 76. 95 77. 22. 25 76. 73 76. 95 77. 22. 25 76. 73 76. 95 77. 22. 25 76. 73 76. 95 77. 22. 25 77. 22. 25 77. 23. 25 77. 24. 25 77. 24. 25 77. 24. 25 77. 25 77. 26. 27 77. 27

TABLE SHOWING TOTAL SICK BENEFITS, NURSING AND SURGEON, WIDOWS AND ORPHANS, DRATH BENEFIT AND AVERAGE COST PER MEMBER OF THE ORDER, FOR BENEFITS.

	1886	1887	1388	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894	1895	1896	81
		e		1		1		Ì				
Number of Members	14847	15353	16060	o#6gr	17707	18390	19450	20558	21685	22183	22687	
Number Sick	1668	1787	1949	1602	2972	2407	3033	3182	3019	2868	3113	
Pais for Sick Benefits, Nurs Spât go. 80 k31351.00 k15437.83 k36 k390 k35454533.33 k51398 04 k52498.19 k33056.37 k33107.79 k59454.70 86038 ning and Surpean	\$28150.80	\$31351.02	F15437-85	\$38183.03	643298.75 \$.	42523-33\$	51328.04\$	52498.19\$	\$3056.37	53107.79	59454-70	9603
Average paid each	\$ 17.47	\$ 17.47\$ 17.54\$ 18.18\$ 18.26\$ 14.57\$ 17.57\$ 16.49\$ 17.57\$ 18.59\$ 16.09\$	81.81	18.26	\$ 14.57	17.67	16.92\$	16.49	17.57	18.52	19.09	
Average cost per member	68.1 \$	1.89\$ 2.04\$ 2.20\$ 2.26\$ 2.44\$ 2.32\$	\$ 2.20	2.26	5 2.44\$	2 32 \$	2.64	2.64\$ 2.55\$ 2.45	2.45	2.39	2.39 \$. 2.62\$	
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Avérage cost per member	ķ	62.	88	.26	38	.39	-32	35	33	22	.28	
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TABLES SHEWING MEMBERSHIP, AGE, AND AVERAGE AGE. - Continued.

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Average Age.	12.72	39.66	38.12	38.46	36.73	38.14	37.38	40.48	37.23	30.37	26.21	36.71	35.46	33.06	34.90	39.65	38.07	15.04	39.72	30.0
Total Age.	2344	4601	2211	2573	3086	1646	1084	1174	782	1050	5220	1799	3440	529	349	1704	3017	2531	2701	240
Members.	63	116	55	67	84	30	2 6	29	21	43	. 77	6	26	91	0	43	95	1	19	, ,
Number of Lodge.					163														183	
Average Age.	44.76	34 29	53.68	35.86	342.97	26.78	37.35	6.13	4 :	4.45	8.83	5.64	2.76	I.21	7.44	9.55	2.30	6,93	1.0	74
Total Age.	1343	3806	2953	1040	2063	3241	2002	2349	4435	1852	3534	24243	15023	29204	21723	22155	4004	2	7304	6767
Members.	38	=	22	29	8 4															11
Number of Lodge.					135															
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Total Age.	1982	2657	6107	7064	2343	3541	1623	4495	4971	68163	2100	450715	21842	62081	25014	37733	2004 3	1703	14634	350812
Members.	52	56			83													811	32	8
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Total Age.	6877	5186	1056	7710	45063	1042	90403	42434	25133	47754	59833	13024	33273	9584	30713	37534	34774	11554	25384	12294
Members.	162	300	56	205	115	298	118	93	8	911	200	2 0	0	21	93	83	83	56	29	32/1
Number of Lodge.	52	34	55	55	286	59	200	63	3,	5	3.8	89	69	2	71	72	13	74	73	7013
Average Age	20.05	33-75	46.72	36.64	39.24	45.27	7.00 V.O.	39.29	39.44	19.01	51.57	2.56	10.96	4.17	19.23	68.9	3.42	0.08	0.00	:
Total Age.	4985	4500	8083	4251	7418	8117	464	0846	6508	4424	5073	1068	6300	96646	1334	590I	00434	94784	04353	
Members.	3071	133	173	98	68	202	00	1922	20	16	2 2	109	54	122	34	391	7	3	74	
Number of Lodge,	90	13	91	28 22	29	330	33	\$	35	90	40	412	1	452	40	473	40	492	2 :	:

TABLES SHOWING MEMBERSHIP, AGE, AND AVERAGE AGE OF THE SEVERAL LODGES, IN

TABLES SHEWING MEMBERSHIP, AGE, AND AVERAGE AGE.—Continued.

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Average Age.	32.15	35.51	32.28	32.80	32.37	33-12	15.30	17 29	`															
Total Age.			1033																					
Members.	9	37	32	121	2.0	24	62	1.4														•		1
Number of Lodge.	319	320	321	322	323	325	145	208																
Average Age.	2.73	2.61	37-55	00.0	4 5	6.43	90	6.84	1.41	3.21	0 73	6 17	3.41	4.16	4.10	1.92	2.0	90.0	3-55	2.53	1.63	1.07	3.19	2.70
Total Age	40603	8483	15023	4053	2777	4203	14083	9583	12253	18603	12603	9162	17043	5623	6713	8625	1013	4303	2083	165233	9003	3633	0623	883 33
Members.	124	56	9 :	5 5	1 %	9	9	27	39	26	-	35	51	75 2	6	27	05	39	<u>ء</u>	43 4	92	40 I	32 1	27
Number of	294	295	296	266	200	300	301	302	303	304	305	90	307	300	60	910	116	312	113	14	518	91	117	181
Average Age.	16	33	33.02	0 0	107	.8	:	37.81	75	6	15	3	Q	22	6	7 3	0	4	2	4	1	33	9	.45
Total Age.	37294	24713	28403	249/3	12202	9833		24203	58953	25693	21463	36703	1967	39253	8803	10313	1923	1012	077	122930	77932	95038	1623	224 30
Members,	12867	322	8 8						1,210	31170	120	223	10.5					360					65	01
Number of Lodge,	569	270	271	2/2	27.2	275	276	277	278	279	280	281	282	283	284	202	90	707	200	520	290	162	262	293
Average Age.	0.45	37.04	18 0		37.82	9.99	6.26	8.12	0.49	6.34	7.55	9.90	3.21	00.	.59	0 0	2.49	6	14	8	5.58	1.59	9.10	.40
Total Age.		22003		24202	25353	19603	18153	24023	24493	8363	18403	12183	10693	39513	10113	6001	1023	2903	3403	21403	12103	17693	2423	0043
Members.	100.200	19	enil de		.69												363			250			20	500
Number of	243	24	245	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	250	257	250	259	3,4	1 4	200	503	504	205	500	202	200
Average Age	34.69	6.30	38.77	2 %	1.86	7.79	5.05	80 4	26.0	1.47	5.91	1.70	0.0	5.27	6.23	3 5		000	9 6	2.95	6 26	4.32	8	6.0
Total Age.	13533	42843	39,30	1186	16893	20413	66609	23523	12083	16053	5666	0503	25503	22933	55.5	2	9	27.0	2	4/06/	5000	22803	5043	Solois
Members.	39	155.00	mama		2302	2200	227.75	77.724	esar:	120/07	STORY.													5
Number of Lodge.	216	217	210	220	221	223	224	225	220	227	228	229	230	25	939	225	325	330	2	13/	239	240	7 5	-
Average Age		0 4	27.08	70	2 44	8.80	8.60	0.00	5.53	4-27	8	36.79	0.42	6.0		10.4	8	1 81	,	200	0.00	0.57	2	
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Members.	223-25058		200																					132
Number of Lodge,	186	8 2	18	191	192	194	195	96	197	8 8	3	3 6	200	300	200	2002	202	200	210		117	212	414	5

Total age, 859,515 years; No. of Members, 22,742; Average age, 37.794.

OLDEST TWENTY-FOUR LODGES, NOS. 9 TO 52* INCLUSIVE. (CALENDAR YEAR.)a

-containing 3 resuscitated Lodges-and the average age of the 24 being 19 years on December 31, 1882.

Actual Cost of \$4 per Week, S.B.	100	652683396758883968
Average per Member.	1 3	523 336 236 237 233 335 336 22 237 237 237 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24 24
12	1 0	88.2 85.1 74.7 74.7 74.1 74.1 74.1 74.1 74.1 74
Total Initiation Fees and Degrees,	6	7.790 8 5.773 9 8 3.408 7.779 9 8 3.554 9 8 7.773 9 8 7.775 9 8 7.
Average per Member.	5	88 84 46 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50
Receipts for Dues and Reinstatements.	69	20,326 04 19,921 875 20,716 975 21,039 776 21,039 776 22,018 776 22,018 776 22,829 136 22,789 176 22,889 106 22,789 176 24,75 966 24,75 986 24,94 816 24,94 816
Ratio of Initiations.	*.E	9.00 11.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1
Number Initiated.	Ī	380 278 278 274 269 269 269 269 269 269 269 269 269 269
Ratio of Deaths.	1.5	99 199 199 199 199 199 199
Number of Deaths.	1	35 4 4 2 2 2 2 3 4 4 4 5 4 5 4 5 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
Average Cost per Member,	ت چ	8 3 4 4 4 8 8 5 5 6 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
Average Amount per Week.	5	2 98 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
Amount Paid for Sick Benefits.	69	6,373 822 6,990 263 8,116 6993 7,563 153 7,625 992 8,561 023 10,066 963 10,100 673 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 11,376 292 13,814 762
Average Sickness per Meeks.	Ì	.617 .660 .660 .783 .745 .745 .745 .821 .821 .792 .925 .925 .925 .925 .925 .925 .925 .9
Average Duration of Sickness by Weeks and Days.	W. D.	0 - 4 2 4 2 5 5 6 6 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7
Mumber of Weeks		2,143 4/7 2,208 1/7 2,317 1/7 2,511 4/7 2,514 4/7 2,514 4/7 2,514 4/7 3,434 4/7 3,434 4/7 4,200 4/7 4,200 4/7 4,201
Ratio.	I in	88.07 6.07 6.03
Number of Sick.		5236 5336 5336 5336 5336 5336 5336 5336
Number of Members.		3,456 3,350 3,50 3,
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TWENTY-FOUR LODGES NUS. 209 TO 234 INCLUSIVE. b

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* No. 51 defunct. a First 24 Lodges—containing 5 resuscitated Lodges—and the average age of the 24 being 19 years on December 31, 1882.

TWENTY-FOUR LODGES NUS. 209 TO 234 INCLUSIVE. 6

Actual Cost of \$4 per Week S.B.	1 2 2 2 2 4 4 4 5 7 5 8 2 2 2 4 4 5 5 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
Average per Member.	2 1 2 8 8 8 5 2 4 4 6 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5
Total Initiation Fees and Degrees.	98 4 7 4 8 8 1 1 7 5 5 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6 6
Average per Member.	2 2 2 8 2 6 8 8 6 8 8 6 8 6 8 6 7 8 8
	886 434 434 444 444 444 444 444 444 444 44
Receipts for Dues and Reinstatements.	2-0400 4 2000 00 4 V V - V
Ratio of Initiations.	1 in 1 in 2 in 2 in 2 in 1 in 1 in 1 in
Number Initiated.	253 178 178 173 173 173 173 173 173 173 173 173 173
Ratio of Deaths.	Lin 155 155 155 155 155 155 155 155 155 15
Number of Deaths.	47720 28 29 40112 27 0
Average Cost per Member,	50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 5
Average Amount per Week,	50.05 336.1 336.1 336.1 336.1 337.1 337.1 431.1
Amount Paid for Sick Benefits,	\$ C. \$ 1,000
Average Sickness per Member, Weeks.	404 411 411 411 411 411 411 411 411 411
Average Duration of Sickness by Weeks and Days,	W 4.8.8.8.8.4.8.4.8.8.8.8.4.8.8.8.8.8.8.8
Number of Weeks Sick,	401 2/7 452 4/7 459 5/7 461 4/7 461 4/7 471 4/7 571 6/7 571 8/7 571 8/7 571 8/7 572 6/7 572 4/7 572 4/7
Ratio.	III.13 8.858.887.887.886.886.886.886.886.886.886.88
Number of Sick.	890 125 125 127 127 127 127 127 127 127 127 127 127
Number of Members.	991 1,089 1,1089 1,117 1,117 1,123 1,226 1,230 1,230 1,294 1,353 1,449
Year.	1882 1883 1883 1885 1885 1885 1889 1899 1899 1899 1899

6 Average age of these Lodges, 2 1-2 years on December 31, 1882.

c Five new Lodges in 1882.

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Vear.	Place.	Officers and vitatinesery	Miles trave	Average.	Mileage an Pet Diem	Number of	Cost per m ber for Mi and Per I	All other e penses of Grand Lo	Cost per m ber for al
.876	Sr. Catharines	213	51367	269	\$3678 40	11332	324	\$2256 7	71 20
877	Belleville	231	83295	360	4906 28	12172	407		
878	Toronto	230	50752	221	3414 10	12332	275		
870	Hamilton	237	46355	199	3280 06	12442	26‡		
880	Guelph	232	45895	194	3261 80	12108	204	3992 1	35
881	Brantford	239	50353	210	3516 14	12776	82	4001 5	31
882	Toronto	257	52883	306	3657 32	13755	26 <u>\$</u>	3430 5	7
883	Ottawa	260	176087	754	8607 50	14202	160 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	3675 9	7 25
884	St. Thomas	252	30704	122	3031 51	14453	2010	3353 0	
886	Hamilton	261	25524	86		14408	202	3377	
886	London.	271	32983	121	3239 20	14762	201%	3134 7	
887	Peterboro	276	43974	159	3826 70	15141	254	3409 7	
888	Barrie	292	47677	164	4044 30	15960	25\$	3507 0	10
880	St. Catharines	301	43666	145	3991 30	81991	24	3802.0	
800	Foronto	310	38640	125	3792 00	17415	21\$	4853 5	and the
%or	Stratford	321	43280	135	4085 00	18210	225	4777 8	
80	Windsor	344	82832	241	6221 60	19122	324	4731 9	
803	Nisorara Falls	353	60980	173	\$171 00	20312	258	6200 7	
80.	Kinoston	378	82652	224	6402 60	20558	314	3405 4	
804	Hamilton	384	50472	131	4841 60	21685	2218	6020	
806	Sarnia	382	76410	200	6134 50	22183	28 _T 4	6270 6	
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To 1864 they have membership Dec. 31st. 1863; strenge cannot be made.

Includes cost of souvening, \$1,005,50.

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STATISTICAL REPORT OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO, I.O.O.F. FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 1897.

No. of Members as per last Report. Initiated during the year ending December 31st, 1897. Admitted by card. Reinstated.	150 20	
		177
Total		3,706
From which deduct:—		
Withdrawn by card. Suspended for Non-Payment of Dues. Suspended for cause.	24 247	- V.
Expelled		
Deceased	••••	
	21	292
Total in Membership December 31st, 1897		
December 31st, 1897	••••	3,414
No. of Patriarchs Relieved	351 2,126	
" for Special Relief		\$247 75
" for Relief to Widowed Families	••••	16 50
" for the Relief of Patriarchs		5 00 3,130 77
Total		\$3,400 02
Invested Funds of Subordinates Total Amount of Annual Revenue		
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RECORD OF THE ODDFELLOWS' RELIEF ASSOCIATION OF CANADA, FROM DATE OF ORGANIZATION, MAY 12TH, 1874, UP TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1897.

Year.	Period.	Number of Members.	Deaths.	Average Age.	Mortuary Rate.	Total Revenue.	Death Claims.	Disability Claims.
1875	12 months.	364				\$ 952 OI 3,385 90		
1876 1877	do.	810	3 7	41.66	3.69	3,385 90		
1877	do.	878	7	33-43	7.91	5.388 52		
1878	do.	849	5	41.80	5.85	7,615 66		
1879	do.	828	4	44.75	4.81	4,874 23		
1000	18 months.	974	10	38.20	6 78	11,494 11		\$ 400 00
1882	do.	1,034		42,16	5.77	8,214 64		
1883	do.	1,102	II	40.72	9.22	14,921 15	11,800 00	500 00
1884	do.	1,487	7 7	44.28		12,454 37		
1885	do.	2,187	16	44.18	3.73 7.26		10,500 00	
1886	do.	2,408	10	45.30	4.14	20,718 91		
1887	do.	2,623	18	33.94	6.82	19,644 34		
1888	do.	2,829	19	42.21	6.67	31,972 94		
1888 1889	do.	3.074	25	46 40	8.07	42,523 57	26,282 CO	
1890	do.	4,009	27	45.33	6.69	50,359 62	42,500 00	
1891	do.	5,102	33	44.48	6.43	62,421 87	40,000 00	1,000 00
1802	do	5.935	37	43.16	6.20	81,053 60	57,100 00	1,000 00
1803	do.	6,825	42	44.62	6.12	86,998 54		I,000 00
1894	do.	7,677	51	43.23	6.60	97,313 35		1,500 00
1894 1895	do.	8,372	51	43.51	6.05	105.165 93	73,500 00	3,000 00
1896	do.	9.058	69	43.58	7.56	114,808 15	93,500 00	1,000 00
1897	do.	9,571	51	43.63	5.30	123,340 88	65,500 00	2,500 00
Total	ls	.,,	509			\$938,693 83	\$643,937 00	\$11.900 00

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STATEMENT OF THE FUNERAL AID ASSOCIATION OF THE COUNTIES OF LINCOLN AND WELLAND.

For the year ending December 31st, 1807

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Admitted during the ye	ear.		e when	admi	tted.
	······································		32 y	ears.	
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					108
Age at death Total membership					•••
Receipts during the year				•	108
Interest	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		9 10		
Amount paid in death c	laims	-	-	PECDELLS	
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Balance in Bank	A		••••	23	
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RECORD OF THE ODDFELLOWS' MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION OF THE CITY OF LONDON, ONTARIO.

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ABSTRACT FROM THE RETURNS OF REBEKAH LODGES TO THE GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER, 1897.

NUMBER OF LODGES, 52.

Number of Member Admitted during y	ers 31st December, 1896. ear ending 31st December	er, 1897		Males. 1,373 310	Females. 1,585 406	Totals. 2,958 716
				1,683	1,991	3,674
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In Memoriam

The accompanying is a complete list of the Deaths for the year ending 31st December, 1897, with age, etc.:

Name.	Age	Lodge.	No.	Location.	Married or Single.	Children.	Date 1897.
Grant, Sr., John	86	Brock	9	Brockville	M		Dec. 6
Smith, Geo			9		M		June 28
Tracy, F. W	30	Cataraqui	IO	Kingston	M		July 19
McLaren, John	72	Union	16	St. Catharines.	M	3	July 22
Kirby, Chas	37	Phœnix	22	Oshawa	M	3	Nov. 10
Williams, Jos., P.G.	63	Chatham	29	Chatham	M		Jan. 21
Browne, Thos., P.G.	68	Eureka.,	30	London	M		May 28
Pope, Samuel	64		30		M		June 12
Dunn, Wm	62	ally act of the control of the ball of the part	30		M		June 18
Hilton, Chas	57	Elgir	32	St. Thomas	M		Jan. 8
Allworth, A. J	78		32		M		Feb. 19
McKay, John	44	Gore	34	Brantford	M		July 7 Aug. 28
Wight, Jas	76	Samaritan	35	Ingersoll	M		
Prentiss, Joseph	48	St. Mary's	36	St. Mary's			April 30
McCormick, Wm	68	Forest City	38	London	M	2	Oct. 12
Collett, E. S		"	38		M		April 17
Kennedy, Jas	67	Avon	41	Stratford			Dec term
Gibson, H	65		41		M		I "
Legg, A. T	68	**	41	•	M		
Murray, Geo	63		41	**	M		"
Gallagher, Geo	69	Excelsior	44	Hamilton	M		Dec. 6
Kershaw, Thos	66	• • •	44	"			" 17
Wilson, Thos,	43	**	44	- 66			May 28
Blanning, Samuel		Frontier	45	Windsor	M		Feb. 27
Hart, Nathan	61	"	45	**	M		Tan. 34
Harper, R. J., P.G.	27	Unity	47	Hamilton	S		July 26
Lockie, Alex., P.G		"	47	- 66	M	2	" 21
Gardner, J. H	44	Dominion	48	London			Nov.
Edwards, J. E	57		48	**			March.
Morrison, W. C	65	Canada	49	Toronto	M	3	Aug. 3
Smith, Arch	38	"	49	66	M		17 9
Brow, Jno	70	• •	49	••	M		Mar. 13
Hiller, A	48	Niagara Falls	53	Niagara Falls	M.	3	Feb. 21
Webster, H. D	25	6 9	53	6.6	M	Ť	Mar. 29

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Name.	Age	Lodge.	No	Location.	Married or Single.	Children.	Date 1897.
Ingles, H. L	37	Niagara Falls	53	Niagara Falls	М		May 10
Rowland, O. P	36	Collingwood	54	Collingwood	S		Oct. I
McInnes, Hugh	43	"	54	100	S		Mar. 2
Latla, John	55	Fidelity	55	Seaforth			May 30
Bartlett, Thos	33	Queen City Ont.	56	Toronto			Jan.
Duncan, W	40	Kingston	59	Kingston			Mar. 10
Wickett, Geo	38	Corinthian	61	Oshawa	M		Dec.
McCauley, Wm. H	29	44	61	"	S		Feb. 28
Wells, Lambert	50	Huron	62	Goderich	M		
Iodgson, Robt	44	Barrie	63	Barrie		-	
Crellar, J. E.	37	66	63	Darie	• • • •		Sept. 20
McCutcheon, R. E.	30	Friendship	65	Detroles		• •	April
Philp, R. A		Fla Nightingal		Petrolea	S	• •	Oct.
Rustin, Benjamin	33	Flo. Nightingale	66	Bowmanville	M		Sept. 1
Tager Dobert		Exeter	67	Exeter	M		April
Facey, Robert	55	Hope	69	Harrietsville	M		Mar.
mith, T	55	Eastern Star.	72	Whitby	S		July 27
mith, C	50		72	1 "			Oct. I
Robinson, G	68	STATE AND DESCRIPTION OF THE WAR	72	"	M		May 2
hisholm, Jas	57	Warriner	75	Port Perry	M	6	Oct.
Leiner, W. J		St. Thomas	76	St. Thomas	S		Aug.
raser, A	69	"	76	**	M		Feb. 10
filler, Jno. S	64	Amity	80	Prescott	M		June 20
owell, Harry	42	Belleville	81	Belleville			July 5
saacs, Frederick	48	Beaver	82	Ruthvel	M		Jan. 21
Ryall, Albert W	30	**	82	"	M		Feb. 28
looker, A. E		Empire	87	St. Catharines.	M		Jan. 19
otterell, Thos		Reliance	89	Guelph	M		Aug.
airley, Jno. B	37	- 46	89	16	M	33	rug.
IcLean, Roderick.	42	Ivy	90	Parkhill	M	'	Nov. 22
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aksale, Geo		Grand River	91	Paris	M		
Cay, Robt. P	41	orana mirer	91	t at 15	M	9	Sept. 17
chaffer, Joseph	58		91		IVI	5	June t'rm
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aird Toe A			94	Aylmer	M		Oct. 28
aird, Jos. A		Nith	96	New Hamburg.	• • • •		Dec. 8
lokus, Harry		Grand Union		Berlin	M		fuly 6
anninguner, John.	74		97	F (F)	M		June 13
Collison, John		Minto	98	Harriston	M	4	April
Vhite, C. L			100	Lindsay			Nov. 5
IcIntyre, A	41			Hamilton	M	3	Dec.term
eldart, Wm	67		104		M	2	Mar. 20

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Shearer, J. C		Crescent	104	Hamilton	M	- 4	May	7
Gibson, R., P.G	38		104	"	M		lune	20
Wichmann, Chas		Royal Oak	108	Forest	M		May	21
Badenach, Wm	57	Laurel	011	Coronto	M		Feb.	21
Roadhouse, Stephen.	Grant .	Peterboro'	III	Peterborough	M		Mar.	26
Burns, Edward P	43	Harmony	115	Brantford	M		Mar.	16
Brockbank, Joseph	44	Streetsville	122	Streetsville	M		Tune.	
Fretz, John		Dresden	124	Dresden	M		Aug.	27
Rice, Jno		THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	124	"	S		lan.	-9
Graham. Thos., P.G.		Stella	125	Carleton Place.	M		Feb.	9
Finkle, Jno. Wesley.	46	Mizpah		Belleville	M		July	8
Stewart, Jas. G	34	Marion	131	Renfrew	S		July	10
Smiley, W. H	28		131		M		Aug.	6
Kelly, Fred. M	33		131	**		100	Sept.	
Buszard, R	45	Oakville	132	Oakville	S		Feb.	3
Elder, F. W	55	Garnet	130	Mount Forest	M		Aug.	16
Potts, Henry	46	Leamington	140	Leamington	M		Feb.	23
Abbott, Fred	31	Riverside	145	Iroquois	988		Mch.	27
Jones, Ephraim	23	Model	147	Wyoming	M		Oct.	27
Andrews, A. W. H.	36	Aurora	148	Aurora	w		Tune	
Fraser, D. M	36	Alpha	154	Almonte	M		Nov.	6
Watson, Thos. W	36	Progress	188	Guelph	M		July	
Nicholson, C	58	acceptable of the Australia		6	M		Oct	21
Palmer, J. W	69	Beethoven	165	Brooklin	M		Ian.	11
McGowan, Robt	35	Hillsburg	167	Hillsburg				5
McFarlane, James	28	Grey	160	Durham	S		Dec.te	
Morgan, Robt	45	Penetangore	172	Kincardine	25220778		lune	26
Wetherley, Jas	46	100		Control of the Contro	• • • • •		Aug.	2
Williamson, A. M	58	- 44			••••		Aug.	21
Ross, Samuel M	36	"		44			Mch.	3
Fawcett, Jas	51	Emerald	172	Dunnville			Mch.	4
Zuber, Martin				Preston	M		an.	5
Lensig, John	61	"	100	44	M		Oct.	12
Smale, J. F., P.G		Chorazin	190	London East.	M		Nov.	6
Willmott, C. W	51		194	Toronto	M		Mch.	10
Spence, J. J	38	44	194	1010110	M		uly	11
McMichael, J	32	"	0.000	"	M		Nov.	30
Aiken, A. J	55	44			S		Dec.	4
Buley, T. M., P.G	53	"			M .		an.	29
McDonald, Alex. G.		Florence	106		M .		une	13
Craig, Alex	43	Winerva	190	L'amiltan	M		uly	12
B,	45	Minerva	197	namilton	M	3	May	15

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Coutts, John	53	Minerva	-07	TT				
Yokom, Edward	42		197	Hamilton			Tune	
Munroe, D. C				Port Colborne.	M		Dec.	19
1 horp, S	49		202	Milverton	S		luly	
McKinnon, Dongall	36		203	Pembroke			May	22
Clarke, J. J	32	Farancet	206	Tiverton	S		Aug	28
Duffey, Ed	32	Egremont	207	Kerwood			Oct.	6
Collins, W. H	37		208	Alvinston	M		Sept.	
Porter, John O	45	Lilly	211	Dorchester Sta.			Mch.	1
Wilgour Togenh	30	Mt. Brydges	217	Mount Brydges.	M		Dec.	26
Kilgour, Joseph		Ottawa	224	Ottawa			Aug.	22
Cleary, S	33			**************************************			Dec.	21
Goodall, James	62			"			lan.	
Hutchison, C. H	26			. 46			Jan.	
	61	. "		44			Mch.	
Backus, Wm.	49	International 2	228	Bridgeburg			Dec.	
Stafford, Chas. E	24	Elora 2		Elora			Sept.	20
Winkler, Wm	43	Hanover 2	233	Hanover		1	Feb.	5
Haviland, D. L	49	Waterford 2	225	Waterford				AND
Currah, W. J	48		236				Oct.	17
Peck, Richard			241	Smith's Falls	S.		lag.	14
Ennis, John	46	61			335 THE		Oct.	6
Davis, W. H.		Port Arthur 2	144 7	Dout Authur			April	17
		Fraternity 2	44		::-		Oct.	
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		renville 2	79 K	Kemptville				31
	27 B	Balmoral 28			M			31
Tellie, H. A	24 M	lay Flower 29	97 P	Parham				17
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Bro. W. J. McCormack, Treasurer, submitted the following Report of the Home Fund, which was referred to the Committee on the Odd Fellows' Home:

REPORT OF TREASURER OF HOME FUND.

TORONTO, August 10th, 1898.

To the Grand Master,

Grand Lodge of Ontario, I.O.O.F.

Dear Sir and Brother:—As Treasurer of the Home Fund, I beg to submit for the Grand Lodge the following report, which contains some suggestions as to the early establishment of our proposed Home, as well as a report of the financial transactions which have passed through my hands, and a statement of the cash on hand and total assets of the Home fund.

While our Cash in hand is not as much as we would desire, I think we have sufficient to encourage and stimulate this Committee to action. I would suggest the advisability of selecting and purchasing the ground on which to establish our Home, and on this selection will greatly depend its ultimate success.

We require the soil to be of the very best for horticultural purposes and located within easy access of the best market for the sale of what we grow.

I have thought this matter carefully over and have concluded that the Lake Shore, between Lorne Park and Oakville, would be a very suitable locality. (A garden of strawberries and small fruits.)

P.G.M. Hornibrook, P.G. Coyell and myself took last Dominion Day to gratify the wishes of a real estate agent, who accompanied us to look at some farms he had for sale in this locality.

He showed us one containing 110 acres, fronting on the lake, on which is a small frame house, a good sized frame barn, and several acres of apple orchard, and strawberries. The price asked is \$7,000, payment to suit the purchaser, or perhaps less for cash.

I simply mention this farm, and feel sure if your Committee investigate there are many more to choose from in this locality.

If we had something tangible to show the subordinate Lodges that we meant business, we would not have much trouble in raising the required funds. I find in looking over the subscriptions of last year that fifteen Lodges subscribed the handsome sum of \$1,125. Now if the Grand Lodge can give another \$1,000 and the balance of our subordinate Lodges give an average of say \$25 each, we would have sufficient to commence operations.

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		Lucknow Rebekah Lodge.	22	Lucknow	25 00
		Missanabie Lodge	266	Chapleau	5 00
April	27	Collingwood Lodge	54	Collingwood	25 00 10 00
		Spirit Rock Lodge	312	Wiarton	5 00
		Webbwood Lodge	319	Webbwood	5 00
		Marion Lodge	131	Renfrew	18 35
		Mallorytown Lodge	245	Mallorytown	5 00
	29	Amity Lodge	80	Prescott	11 88
	30	Beethoven Lodge	165	Brooklin	4 46
		Cl. T. Campbell, P.G.S		Donation	10 00
		International Lodge	228	Bridgeburg	11 50
		Hamilton Lodges		Anniversary col	36 05
May	3	Dresden Lodge	124	Dresden	7 60
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		Kingston Lodge	59	Kingston	10 00
	12	Norfolk Lodge	225	Port Dover	10 70
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		Florence Lodge	196	Florence	5 00
		Minnetonka Lodge	292	Kewatin	13 00
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	23	Thamesford Lodge	258	Thamesford	4 32
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	14	Pansy Rebekah Lodge		Amherstburg	5 00
		Esther Rebekah Lodge	27	Niagara Falls	50 00
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luly	14	Inglewood Rebekah Lodge.	23	Waterford	18 00
		Hazel Rebekah Lodge	40	Ottawa	14 60
		Margaret Rebekah Lodge	39	Waubaushene	10 00
	20	Victoria District	31	Committee	.3 80
		Cl. T. Campbell, P.G.S		Donation	10 00
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All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. J. McCormack,

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Report No. 3—Rep. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., from the Committee on Distribution, made the following report, which was adopted:—

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

* Your Committee on Distribution beg to report that the Reports of the Grand Master, Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer be referred to the following Committees:—

To the Committee on State of the Order—Grand Master's Report: Clauses 1, 2, 4, 5, 10, 11, 16, 20, 21, 47. Grand Secretary's Report: Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 10, 11.

To the Judiciary Committee-Grand Master's Report : Clauses 26, 39.

To the Committee on Legislation—Grand Master's Report Clauses 9, 30, 40, 52. Grand Secretary's Report: Clause 15.

To the Committee on Rebekah Degree-Grand Master's Report: Clause 13. Grand Secretary's Report: Clause 16. Statement: Clause 17.

To the Committee on Appeals—Grand Master's Report: Clause 25.

To the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence - Grand Master's Report : Clause 23 on page 26, Clause 28.

To the Finance Committee—Grand Master's Report: Clauses 8, 12, 18, 27, 33, 34, 46, 50, 51. Grand Secretary's Report: Clauses 9, 12, 14, 24, 25. Statements on pages 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, and all of the Grand Treasurer's Report.

70 the Committee on Districts-Grand Master's Report: Clauses 22, 42, 43, 48.

43, 45.

To the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem-Grand Secretary's Report:

Clauses 6, 7.

To Special Committee No. 1—Grand Master's Report: Clauses 3, 31, 32,

36, 37, 38.

To Special Committee No. 2—Grand Master's Report: Clause 6.

To Special Committee No. 3-Grand Master's Report: Clause 7, Appendix A, B, C, Clause 34. Grand Secretary's Report: Report on page 132.

To Special Committee No. 4—Grand Master's Report: Clauses 14, 15, 17, 41. Grand Secretary's Report: Clause 23.

To Special Committee No. 5—Grand Master's Report: Clauses 19, 29, 44.
To Special Committee No. 6—Grand Master's Report: Clauses 24, 45.

Grand Secretary's Report : Clauses 18, 19.

To Special Committee No. 7—Grand Master's Report : Clause 49.

To Special Committee No. 8—Grand Master's Report: Clause 53. Grand Secretary's Report: Clauses 13, 20, 21; pages 128, 129, 130, 131.

To Special Committee No. 9-Grand Secretary's Report: Clause 26; pages 60, 70, 71.

Resolved,-The foregoing be adopted.

All of which is most respectfully submitted,

W. H. COLE, F. LAMBLE. mittee l :—

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Moved by Rep. R. N. Sheppard and seconded by Rep. W. A. Smith.

Resolved,—That the report of the Special Committee on Transfer of Membraship, with the recommendations of the Committee on Legislation of 1897—
Jour. 1897, page 66;3—be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Legislation of the present Grand Lodge, with instructions to report the legislation necessary to carry into effect the adoption of the said report.

The following was adopted :-

Moved by Rep. R. Meek, seconded by Rep. Geo. Geddes, and Resolved,—That the consideration of the Special Reports on Dues and Benefits and on Districts be the first order of business to-morrow after the

The following letter from Grand Representative Bro. W. H. Hoyle was read:

LEGISLATURE OF ONTARIO,

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS.

Dear Bro. King:

TORONTO, August 29th, 1898.

I am very sorry that my duties here will prevent me from attending the Grand Lodge this session. This is the first break in eighteen years, and I cannot express my feelings in reference to my enforced absence. Kindly remember me to my brethren. My heart is with them, and I trust the deliberations of the session may prove a blessing to the Order. With kind and fraternal regards, believe me to remain,

Yours in the bonds,

W. H. HOYLE.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

GALT, August 11th, 1898.

The Grand Lodge met at 9 o'clock and was opened in regular form.

The Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, in the chair.

Roll called and the following Officers were present, and a quorum of Representatives:—

J. A. Young	Grand Master
J. E. FAREWELL	Deputy Grand Master
JAS. McLurg	Grand Warden
J. B. King	Grand Secretary
W. J. McCormack	Grand Treasurer
W. H. HOYLE, P.G.M	Grand Representative
THOMAS WOODYATT, P.G.M	Grand Representative
GEORGE GEDDES	Grand Marshal
R. H. PERRY	Grand Conductor
J. W. SIMPSON	Grand Guardian
R. H. Rowe	Grand Herald
REV. A. L. GEEN	Grand Chaplain
HENRY WHITE	Junior Past Grand Master

The minutes of the last session were read and adopted.

* Report No. 4—Bro. Wm. Bushell, P.G., from the Committee on Credentials, made the following report, which was adopted:—

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

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report that they have examined the certificates of the following Past Grands, and find them in form, and recommend that the brothers named be instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree and admitted to seats, and be recognized as members of this Grand Lodge, viz.:

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Walter Smuch			10
Robert T. Lovell			174
Richard L. Murray		**	89
Frank B. Jeffery	•	"	91
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Respectfully submitted,

W. BUSHELL.

Report No. 5—Rep. Jas. Hewer, from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, made the following report:—

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

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem beg to present their first report.

We have carefully considered Clauses 6 and 7 of the Grand Secretary's Report, and are of opinion that, while many of the Representatives are receiving the benefits of cut rates on some of the railways, the majority of them are paying the usual rates from minor points, and in view of the fact, that delegates are receiving single fares for the round journey, we recommend that the mileage for this Grand Lodge's Representatives be four cents per mile and \$2.00 per diem/or three days, and that the system of paying by orders on the Grand Treasurer, as adopted last year, be continued.

Your Committee move the adoption of this report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES HEWER.

Rep. Robt. Meek, seconded by Rep. Turner, moved to amend by striking out the word "Four" and by substituting the word "Five" therefor.

The amendment was declared adopted, and the report, so amended, was adopted.

The following was read and referred to the Committee on Finance:—

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0.F.

BROTHERS, Forest City Lodge, No. 38, and Dominion Lodge, No. 48, both of London, beg respectfully to request that this Grand Lodge will relieve them from the payment of the expenses of the law suits brought against them by Bros. Baker and Parkhouse, respectively.

As the suits area out of our adopting laws in accordance with our constitution, and the result of them has been to establish the right of subordinate lodges to enact laws affecting the rights of previously initiated members, we consider that

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mined the ecommend d admitted the matter has been of sufficient importance to the whole Order to warrant the Grand Lodge in paying the costs our lodges have incurred in defending our rights. The amount of these costs is \$200.00 in each case.

Yours fraternally, in F., L. and T.,

WM. MADDEFORD, R. J. C. DAWSON,

Representatives of Forest City Lodge.

J. M. LOGAN, P.G., R. K. COWAN,

Representatives of Dominion Lodge.

The following, moved by Rep. Jno. Ormiston, P.G. M., seconded by Rep. Robt. Meek, was adopted:—

Resolved,—That the sessions of this Grand Lodge be held as follows:—

Morning Session—Meet at 9 o'clock A.M.; adjourn at 12 o'clock noon. Afternoon Session—Meet at 2 o'clock P.M.; adjourn at 5,30 P.M. When Evening Sessions are held—Meet at 7,30 P.M.; adjourn at will.

The following notice, submitted at the last session of Grand Lodge, to amend Grand Lodge By-law No. 20, was taken up on motion of Rep. Robt. Meek, in the absence of Bro. A. H. Blackeby, viz.:—

Amend Grand Lodge By-law 20, so as to read as follows (JOURNAI, 1897, 6655):—"20. In the electron of such office the candidate having a majority of the voies cast shall be declared elected by the Grand Master. In case no candidate receives a majority of the votes, the representatives present in Grand Lodge shall immediately proceed to ballot upon the three candidates in nominations who shall have received the highest number of votes of the Past Grands voting in the Subordinate Lodges; and after each ballot the candidate who shall have received the least number of votes shall be withdrawn."

Bro. Henry White, Past Grand Master, rose to a point of order, viz.:—That the first business to come before the Grand Lodge, under Grand Lodge By-law 19, was the Report of the Committee on Election Returns.

The Chair declared the point of order to be well taken.

Report No. 6—Rep. A. E. Harley, from the Committee on Election Returns, presented the following report, which was adopted:—

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.O.O.F.:

Your Committee on Election Returns beg leave to report as follows:—
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Stirling, No. 239; Missenable, No. 266; Stanley, No. 268; Sudbury, No. 282; Tweed, No. 290; Spirit Rock, No. 312; fourteen lodges in all.

The returns of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, and Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, were not signed by the Noble Grands, and were therefore not counted.

The returns of the following lodges were made on the Nomination Blanks and were not in any case signed:—Ahiram, No. 205; Arthur, No. 280; Bobcaygeon, No. 300. They were not counted.

The returns of Nipissing Lodge, No. 79, and Garnet Lodge, No. 139, were blank.

Thirty-five Lodges sent in no Election Returns. They are: — Fidelity, No. 55; Empire, No. 87; Glencoe, No. 133; Orient, No. 134; Leamington, No. 140; Wildey, No. 153; Oak Leaf, No. 159; Hillsburg, No. 167; Emerald, No. 173; Wellington Square, No. 178; Dufferin, No. 186; Teeswater, No. 183; Howick, No. 192; Cicerone, No. 195; Weston, No. 200; Silver Star, No. 202; Egremont, No. 207; Alvinston, No. 208; Elora, No. 231; Equity, No. 232; Hanover, No. 233; Acorn, No. 236; Gordon, No. 247; Beavetton, No. 249; Norwood, No. 262; Delta, No. 265; Algoma, No. 267; Morewood, No. 285; Pontypool, No. 296; Cornucopia, No. 299; Plattsville, No. 301; Valentine, No. 305; Shedden, No. 316; Mountain, No. 315; Southampton, No. 325.

A great many lodges were not careful as to certificates and other matters.

Your Committee recommend that the Representatives make it their business to see that the Election Returns of their lodges are on the proper blanks, correctly filled in and signed by the Nobles Grand and Secretary, also that they in every case have the seal of the lodge attached.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. E. HARLEY, A. H. A. DOWSLEY, F. A. LATSHAW.

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The Grand Master thereupon declared as follows:-

Brother	Ino. E. Farewell	. Grand Master.
**	Jas. McLurg	. Deputy Grand Master.
- "	J. B. King	.Grand Secretary.
"	W. J. McCormack	Grand Treasurer.
• • • •	Henry White	.Grand Representative.

The Grand Lodge proceeded with the election of the remaining elective Grand Officers.

The Chair named the members of the Committee on Election Returns as Scrutineers, viz.:—Reps. A. E. Harley, A. H. A. Dowsley and F. A. Latshaw.

On the third ballot the Scrutineers announced that Rep. O. L. Lewis, of Chatham, had received a majority of the ballots cast, whereupon the Grand Master declared Bro. O. L. Lewis duly elected Grand Warden.

Nominations for Auditor were called for.

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Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., nominated Bro. Chas. Packert, P.G., of Avon Lodge, No. 41.

There being no further nominations, Bro. Hornibrook, by request, cast the ballot of the Grand Lodge.

The Chair declared Bro. Chas. Packert duly elected Auditor.

Nominations were then called for Director of the Odd Fellows' Home Committee for three years, in the place of Bro. Hy. White, P.G.M., whose term had now expired.

Rep. Robt. Meek nominated Bro. Hy. White, P.G.M.

There being no further nominations the Chair declared Bro. Hy White, P.G.M., duly re-elected Director of the Odd Fellows' Home for three years.

The hour of 12 o'clock having arrived, the Grand Lodge adjourned.



AFTERNOON SESSION.

GALT, August 11th, 1898.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled at 2 o'clock P.M., in pursuance with the resolution fixing the hours of meeting, and was opened in regular form.

On motion of Bro. Geo. Geddes the calling of the roll and the reading of the minutes of the last session were dispensed with.

The first order of business being the consideration of the report of the Committee on Dues and Benefits, that order was taken up.

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Report No. 7—Rep. Robt. Meek, from the Committee on Dues and Benefits, presented the report of that Committee in addition to the report, actuarial tables, etc., as printed and sent out to the lodges.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0:F. :

The Committee on Dues and Benefits' presented their Report (JOURNAL, 1897, page 6574.) The question being on the adoption of the Report, the following, moved by Rep. W. Amor, seconded by Rep. W. H. Lowe, was adopted (JOURNAL, 1897, p. 6579):

Resolved,—That, in view of the fact that the Report of the Special Committee on Dues and Benefits has been altered since being submitted to the Subordinate Lodges, the Report be laid over till next session of the Grand Lodge, and the Report as now before the Grand Lodge be printed and sent to the several Lodges, embracing also in the Report an actuarial estimate of the amount of benefits that could safely be paid on an annual contribution of six dollars per member.

In accordance therewith the Report of the Committee on Dues and Benefits is herewith submitted to the Subordinate Lodges, and it will come before the Grand Lodge at the approaching session.

THE REPORT OF 1897.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario Independent Order of Oddfellows:

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge last year the Special Committee on Widows' Annuities, in its report, urged that a Special Committee be appointed to consider during the recess what would be a proper scale of fees and benefits for the Order. This scale, it suggested, should be founded upon the experience of similar Canadian Societies, and be accompanied by such tables as would assure to the Lodges "the means of carrying out their undertakings as to the payment of benefits."

This matter (Report No. 5, p. 6320), and the recommendation of Special Committee No. 10, session of last year, embracing Report No. 38, and also dealing with dues and benefits, were referred to the Special Committee now reporting.

A MEETING IN TORONTO.

The Committee held a meeting in the Grand Secretary's office on May 6th. At the outset it was felt that the Grand Lodge had

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's office dge had seen and admitted the force of the arguments presented by last year's Committees in support of uniform dues and benefits.

The financial transactions set forth in Report No. 6 led to but one conclusion, namely, that the Lodges in this Order, for their own good and welfare, must avoid all competition in the way of benefits, or even the appearance of competition; that everywhere, in all parts of the jurisdiction, the same amount in dues should be collected and the same amount in benefits be expended by them; and that always the obligations of the Lodges, voluntarily assumed, should be in perfect keeping with their ability to meet them safely.

A PROPOSITION IS MADE.

A member of the Committee submitted the following for discussion:

"The necessity of the Grand Lodge having control of the funeral benefits of the Order in Ontario must be apparent to any one that has studied the constant changing of the Lodge by-laws to meet the natural increase of deaths in the Subordinate Lodges. Owing to the small number of members that compose each Lodge it is impossible, even under the best and most careful management, to meet the amounts promised at the death of members if there is no co-operation and the Lodges remain financially independent of each other. The truth of the principle of co-operation, in the case of death benefits, has long been acknowledged by those who have had the important part of friendly society work under observation; and we are of opinion that Lodges must either increase their contributions very materially or reduce the funeral benefits. One case that has been looked into forcibly illustrates the necessity of co-operation and uniformity in death benefits. In a society of 7,000 members the assessments for deaths in 1889 amounted to 73c. per member, yet there were no less than six Lodges without a single death during that year, and in the group one Lodge lost no less than six members by death, and had it been forced to meet the liability itself the assessment would have been \$3.97 per member. If the death benefits were paid by the Grand Lodge it would help the Lodges to meet the ever increasing sickness that the members must experience as the Lodges grow older, and which of itself will be found sufficiently burdensome without having to meet the funeral benefits now promised by many of our Lodges. There are many ways by which the funeral benefits could be paid by the Grand Lodge, but we consider the equitable one would be to raise the amount by per capita tax on the Subordinate Lodges sufficient to meet the death rate that experience has shown to be absolutely necessary. The death or funeral

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THE LAW OF THE ORDER.

It was urged in addition that the Grand Lodge, in registering with the Department of Insurance on behalf of the Subordinate Lodges, became ind rectly responsible for any failure on their part to meet the liabilities. But the law on this point is quite clear. The Digest of 1895 (section 470) declares that "a state Grand Body has no right to appropriate money from its funds raised by an assessment upon its Subordina es, for the relief and support of a member in one of these Subordinates." In 1892 the Sovereign Grand Lodge disposed of other phrases on the subject. It asserted (1) "that it was not legal for a Grand Lodge to assume payment of sick benefits, taxing the Subordinate Lodges to provide a fund for this purpose" (2) that it was not legal to form a sick benefit fund "to which such of its Subordinate Lodges as may be willing could contribute such sums as the Grand Lodge named, and out of which sick benefits should be paid to the members of such contributing Lodges only," and (3) "that under the laws and policy of the Order, as at present existent and operative, Subordinate Lodges are charged with a duty of providing and dispensing benefits to their members entitled to the same, and this duty cannot be assumed or transferred to Subordinate Grand Bodies "

This puts the question of the Grand Lodge's control of Subordinate Lodge funds outside the present discussion. The only thing the Grand Lodge can do, all that the Committee of last year advised and that the Committee of this year supports, is to urge that there shall be uniformity in the dues and benefits of these Lodges.

THE HISTORY OF THIS AGITATION.

The Committee has not been called upon to go outside of the Order for the experience which enables it to frame a safe and suitable schedule of rates. The history of this agitation for a revised tariff of fees in the Order is full and comprehensive. The records of the Sovereign Grand Lodge and of this Grand Lodge upon this subject are, indeed, most satisfactory.

As long ago as 1852 there was a debate as to what the lodges should do about their income and expenditure. Bro. Dr. Campbell, a member of this Committee, in a report to the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1882, traced the steps which had been taken anterior to

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SEEKING ACTUARIAL CALCULATIONS.

The wisdom, aye the necessity, of doing something looking towards a uniform tariff was practically admitted by the Grand Lodge last year in its approval of the Reports of two Special Committees, and by the appointment of this Committee. But the Committee desired to proceed most cautiously, and to collect evidence showing the need of a better rating in Ontario, from the experience of its Lodges, and so it directed the Grand Secretary to procure the following:

(a) Actuarial estimate of the Lodges as to solvency, based upon returns made to the Grand Lodge, omitting therefrom regalia, paraphernalia, furniture and unenumerated assets.

(b) An opinion as to the Campbell table of rates, as to whether it is sufficient to meet prospective liabilities of Lodges, in view of the experience above referred to

(c) An examination of the English experience (in the custody of Bro. Vale), in order to ascertain how it affects Canadian experience, and if so to what extent.

These actuarial calculations were committed to Mr. Chadwick, Toronto, and he is still at work upon them. As the Report cannot be delayed, they will have to be submitted to the Grand Lodge in the form of an appendix to this Report.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE.

Meanwhile, without the actuarial statement, and regarding it as supplemental to the information on which the Report is founded, the Committee recommends:

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1. That a graded plan of assessments be approved—graded according to the age at the time of joining the Lodge—on the ground that it is the safest and most equitable.

2. That the Grand Lodge endorse the Campbell table of rates, as under, and take such steps within its power as will secure the enforcement of these rates uniformly in this Grand Jurisdiction:

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3. That no greater sums than the following be paid by the Subordinate Lodges in benefits: (1) For sickness, extending to a year, \$3.00 per week; for the same sickness, when it is continued for twenty-six weeks beyond the year, \$2.00 per week; for the balance of the illness, indefinitely, \$1.00 per week; (2) For funeral expenses, \$30.00. (3) Widows' benefits, if desired, to be provided for by an additional assessment, these not being covered by the calculations in the Campbell tariff.

4. This scale to take effect in the case of all joining the Order on and after Jan. 1, 1898.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. MEEK (Chairman), CL. T. CAMPBELL, FRANKLIN SMOKE, WILL. J. VALE, WILLIAM WARNOCK. d—graded the ground

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ADDITION TO THE REPORT.

The estimate asked for by the resolution of Bro. Amor does not seem to be all that is required for the safe guidance of the Subordinate Lodges, and of this Grand Lodge, in dealing with this very important matter. The Actuary, referring to it, said: "There can be no useful answer given to the question submitted." The calculations involved a large amount of labour to no purpose, as the benefits payable would be small and unacceptable. Indeed, the amount would be below the minimum benefits provided by the Sovereign Grand Lodge at the average age of membership.

QUESTIONS SENT TO THE ACTUARY.

The Actuary was asked to state what quarterly dues, payable in advance, would be required to provide:—

(1) Sick benefits of \$1.00 per week, for the first year only (Column A).

(2) Sick benefits of \$1.00 per week during the whole of the disability. (Column B).

(3) Sick benefits of \$3.00 per week for the first year; \$2.00 per week when the same sickness is continued for twenty-six weeks beyond the year; \$1.00 per week indefinitely, or for the balance of the illness. (Column C).

(4) Sick benefits of \$3.00 per week excluding the first week, and allowing 5 per cent. for the Contingent Fund. (Column G)

(5) Sick benefits of \$3.00 per week, continuously, during the whole of the sickness, excluding the first week. (Column N).

(6) Benefits payable to the widow or dependent relatives. (Column F).

As a result, we have a comparison of the Campbell table with the Actuary's tables, the sum of \$3.00 per year per member being added to the latter as the average requirement of the Lodges on account of management expenses.

POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION.

The Committee, re-appointed by the Grand Master, gave to this additional information its careful consideration. It found

that the Campbell table was somewhat lower than that of the Actuary.

The point aimed at, in desiring a new tariff of dues, was to secure that which, carried into practice, would give the greatest satisfaction. The 'Actuary's tables were, therefore, approved. The only thing remaining was to determine what obligations the Lodges should undertake in their interest and in the interest of their members. The Committee recommended that benefits be paid as follows:

- (a) Sick Benefit of \$3.00 per week during the first year (the first week being excluded); \$2.00 per week during the next six months, and \$1 per week during the remainder of the illness. To be met by assessments according to Scale C; and the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges to be amended in conformity therewith.
- (b) Funeral benefit of \$30. To be met by an additional assessment according to Scale E.
- (c) Widow's benefit of \$100. To be met by additional assessments according to Scale F.

RESOLUTION FOR THIS GRAND LODGE.

The power of the Grand Lodge to enact legislation such as that proposed is beyond question. It never was in doubt, but to remove any erroneous impression that existed in regard to it, the Sovereign Grand Lodge, in 1897, in response to the following resolution submitted by Rep. W. H. Hoyle, of Ontario, viz.: "Resolved: That legislation be framed enabling jurisdictions desirous of working on this principal (a system of uniform Dues and Benefits) to enact laws for that purpose," passed this motion, viz.:

Resolved,—That Grand Lodges have all the powers asked for in the resolution, provided that the amount of benefits is not less than the minimum established by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Report No. 84, p. 15526-15583, Journal of 1897, S.G.L.

The Committee presents the following:

- That the tariff relating to Sick, Funeral and Widows' Benefits, approved by it, be adopted by this Grand Lodge.
- 2. That this tariff shall apply to new members, and take effect from and after January 1, 1899.

Resolved,-That the foregoing be adopted.

R. MEEK (Chairman), FRANKLIN SMOKE, CL. T. CAMPBELL, W. L. VALE, WM. WARNOCK.

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THE ACTUARY'S TABLES.

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Rep. R. N. Sheppard, seconded by Rep. Dav Moore, moved the following, viz .-

Resolved:-That after hearing the explanation as to the method adopted in obtaining the information contained in this report, this Grand Lodge commends the information to the lodges with the hope that they will give it their serious consideration, the report in the meantime to lay on the table.

Rep. Jno. Ormiston, P.G.M., seconded by Rep. A. E. Harley, moved in amendment the following:-

Resolved :- That the Report be amended by adding to the recommendation, "That this be a basis of calculation only, and that if the lodges wish to vary from it they must be governed by the tables submitted."

The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, accepted the amendment of Rep. Jno. Ormiston, P.G.M., it to become as resolution No. 3 of their report.

Rep. Robt. Meek, seconded by Rep. Henry White, P.G.M., moved the previous question which was ordered by the Grand Lodge and was put by the chair, viz .- "Shall the question be now put?" which was adopted.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution of Rep. Ino. Ormiston, P.G.M., the Grand Master ruled that the motion of Rep. Ormiston was out of order, as it could not take precedence of the motion to lie on the table.

The question now being on the adoption of the resolution of Rep. R. N. Sheppard, it was resolved in the negative.

Rep. Jno. Ormiston, P.G.M., then re-submitted his resolution as above, which had been accepted by the Committee to become resolution 3 of their report, which was considered and adopted.

The question now being on the report as so amended,

It was adopted.

Report No. 8-Rep. Geo. A. Cliff, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report, which was considered and adopted.

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

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the communication from Forest City and Dominion Lodges, both of London, re the cases of Pros. Baker and Parkhouse, after hearing a deputation from those lodges and taking into con-

sideration the fact that the decision is of great value to all the lodges in this jurisdiction, confirming our authority to change our By-laws and make them effective, not only as regards future members, but also applying to all that may be in membership at the time said laws are changed, would therefore recommend that we pay each lodge, viz.—Forest City \$100, Dominion \$100, being one-half their costs in each case. We also recommend the payment of the counsel fees, Maccosts in each case. We also recommend the payment of the counsel lees, MacLaren, Macdonald & Shepley, \$12.287 in connection with above cases. 2nd. In reference to the case of Kraft vs. Nith Lodge, we find that in the cases of Weston & Sydenham Valley Lodges, also London cases, the Advisory Committee agreed to pay counsel fees; we therefore recommend that this Grand Lodge pay the Lalance of the counsel fees, viz., \$75.00.

Resolved:-That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted. GEO. A. CLIFF.

Report No. 9-Bro. Jos. Oliver, P.G.M., from the same Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:-

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

1st. Your Committee on Finance have had before them the report of the Auditors for the year 1898, certifying to the correctness of the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer, and regret to learn that the expenses for 1897 exceeded the income by some \$771.44, made up largely from the expenses incurred in defending the law suits during the past year.

2nd. We must congratulate the Grand Lodge on the wisdom displayed in deciding to meet in Galt this year, and thereby effecting a saving of over \$500 in mileage. We trust for the next few years they will continue to meet in some central point and thus build up the finances of this Grand Lodge.

3rd. We recommend the payment of the following accounts:-

The London Floral Co	\$8	00	
Dunlop & Co	10	00	
Ambrose Kent & Co		50	
Newsome & Co	3	03	
Bryant Press	196	70	

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4th. We recommend the payment of the following amounts to the sessional

Assistant Secretary, per diem	\$2	00
Messenger, per diem	2	00
Press Correspondent	5	00
Tanitor	10	00

5th. That the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, and members of all Committees appointed during the recess of this Grand Lodge, be paid for all meetings called during recess at regular return fare and \$2.00 per diem.

6th. That the Chairman of the Committee on General Purposes be paid mileage and per diem for attendance at this session of Grand Lodge at same rate as is allowed Representatives.

7th. That the Chairman of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates be allowed the sum of \$75.00 for services during the past year.

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10th. That the sum of \$500.00 be placed to the credit of the Grand Master to be drawn on from time to time during the year.

11th. We recommend that the usual retainer fee, same as paid last year, be paid Bro. R. K. Cowan, of London, and we also endorse the action of the Grand Master in appointing him Solicier, as per Clause 18, Grand Master's Report.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH\OLIVER.

Report No. 10—Rep. R. Lee, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:—

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

Ist. Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Clause 9, Grand Secretary's Report, would say that we are pleased to learn that Bro. H. Harper, of Barrie Lodge, has succeeded in collecting the amount, viz., \$58.00, due by Bro. F. J. Squire, of late Temple Lodge.

2nd. In reference to Clause 12, Grand Secretary's Report, we recommend that the sum of \$50.00 be appropriated to defray expense of Odd Fellows' tent at the Toronto Exhibition.

3rd. We heartily endorse the recommendation contained in Clause 14, Grand Secretary's Report, and recommend that our Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, at the coming session, use every endeavor to have the sum of \$76.00 placed to our credit, as it certainly is an injustice to this Grand Lodge as the account stands at present.

4th. Clause 24, Grand Secretary's Report, re printing Souvenir Blanks, would recommend that the Committee on General Purposes be instructed to have as many printed as in their judgment is required, not exceeding 3,000 copies.

Resolved, - That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

R. W. LEE.

Report No. 11—Rep. Henry Clarke, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:—

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

1st. Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred Clause 8, Grand Master's Report, in reference to indebtedness due by Dufferin Lodge, Flesherton, would endorse the recommendation of the Grand Master, and we therefore recommend that the balance due on last year's per capita tax, amounting to \$11.75, be remitted.

and. We approve the action of the Grand Secretary in issuing Grand Lodge cards to members of defunct lodges, as mentioned in Clause 12, Grand Master's Report. 3rd. We heartily concur in the remarks contained in the Grand Master's Report, Clause 14, and trust some legislation will be adopted at this session in reference to the same.

4th. We endorse the action of the Grand Master in ordering warrants to be drawn upon the Grand Treasurer in payment of law costs, as per Clause 27 of his report.

5th. We approve the action of the Grand Master in deferring action in relation to the printing of Subordinate Constitutions as referred to by him in Clause 33 of his report.

oth. In reference to Clause 34, Grand Master's Report, we trust that the Subordinate Lodges will purchase and bring into general use the Official Certificate which was adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge largely as a result of the persistent eflogts put forth by the representatives from this Grand Lodge.

7th. In reference to Clause 44, would say we are pleased to hear that the booklet on "What Is Odd Fellowship?" has met with such success, and we have no doubt when the present supply runs out the Grand Secretary will adopt the suggestions contained in above clause, so as to make the booklet more complete and up-to-date.

8th. We are glad to learn that no further advice has been required by this Grand Lodge from our Solicitor, as reported in Clause 50, Grand Master's Report; may this state of things long continue.

9th. We regret to learn from Clause 51 that Lucan Lodge is not in as good a condition as it ought to be, and we trust that the visit paid to it by Bro. Powley may result in renewed activity in the work of this lodge.

Resolved, - That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

HENRY CLARKE.

Report No. 12—Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the Committee on Appeals, made the following report, which was adopted:—

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF

WM. A. MCNIGHT

TECUMSEH LODGE, No. 182;

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TECUMSEH LODGE, No. 182.

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

These are appeals from the decision of the District Committee and Tecumseh Lodge, in the matter of claims for sick benefits. Your Committee on Appeals beg to report that as the papers placed before them are very irregular and insufficient, and as we have been furnished with a declaration from the Secretary of the lodge certifying that the lodge has not been notified of such appeals, your Committee ask to be relieved of further consideration thereof.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. DONNELLY.

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Report No. 13-Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted : -

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF

W. L. MOORE

OTTAWA LODGE, No. 224.

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

This is an appeal of a member of Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, against the action of the lodge in accepting the report of the Trial Committee in the case of F. W. May, charged with the misappropriation of lodge funds.
Your Committee, on the evidence presented, find that as the original charge was properly laid and brought before the Trial Committee in a regular manner, and whereas the Trial Committee recommended the infliction of such punishment as they thought commensurate with the offence, which judgment was upheld by the lodge, and the District Committee, on appeal, your Committee on Appeals recommend that the appeal of W. L. Moore be not sustained.

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Resolved, - That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. DONNELLY.

Report No. 14-Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the same Committee, made the following report which, was considered and adopted:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL

J. T. JOHNS

OTTAWA LODGE, No. 224.

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

This is an appeal by Bro. J. T. Johns, of Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, against the action and judgment of the D. D. G. M. and the District Committee in the matter of charges preferred against Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, for the action of the lodge in the case of Bro. May, P.S. of Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, charged with misappropriating funds.

Your Committee, on the evidence presented, find that as the original charge against Bro. May came before the Trial Committee in a regular and proper manner, and whereas the Trial Committee recommended such punishment as they thought commensurate with the offence, which judgment was upheld by the lodge and the District Committee, your Committee on Appeals recommend that the appeal of Bro. J. T. Johns be not sustained.

Resolved: - That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. DONNELLY.

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Report No. 15-Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL

OF

W. H. SHAW

LILY LODGE, No. 211

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

This is a matter of an Appeal by a brother of Lily Lodge, 211, against a decision given by the Lodge on a motion to change the amount of sick benefits to be paid per week

Your Committee on Appeals find that the papers are very incomplete and ask to be relieved of further consideration thereof.

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

THOS. DONNELLY.

Report No. 16-Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was adopted:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL

NIAGARA FALLS LODGE, No. 53

THE DECISION OF THE GRAND MASTER.

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

This is a matter arising from a dispute regarding the territory from which

contiguous lodges may accept new members. Your Committee on Appeals find that, in accordance with Section 62 of the By-Laws of Grand Lodge, the decision of Grand Master should be sustained, but

as the present By-Laws of the Grand Lodge on jurisdiction in many cases work injustice we recommend that the Committee on Legislation be instructed to introduce such changes in the By-Laws as will be more equitable in such cases.

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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Report No. 17-Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the same Committee, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL OF

MINTO LODGE, No. 98

DISTRICT COMMITTER HARRISTON DISTRICT, No 22.

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

This is an appeal by Minto Lodge, No. 98, against the decision of the District Committee in deciding that the lodge should pay sick benefits to Bro. A. E. Taylor for sickness while absent in Manitoba. The Sick Committee of the lodge gave as their reasons why Bro. Taylor should not be paid (1) that he worked up to the night he left for Manitoba. (2) that he did not report himself (3) that he commenced work immediately on his return, (4) and that the Lodge (3) that he commenced work immediately on his return, (4) and that the Lodge did not receive any notice of his illness before he left for Manitoba. Your Committee, in accordance with all the evidence before it and the By-Laws o. Minto Lodge, No. 98, recommend that the appeal of Minto Lodge, No. 98, recommend that the appeal of Minto Lodge, No. 98, be sustained.

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. DONNELLY.

Report No. 18-Rep. Thos. Donnelly, from the same Committee, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPEAL

JAS. T. JOHNS, Ottawa Lodge, No. 224

D.D.G.M. ABBOTT.

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0, F. :

This matter is an appeal of a member of Ottawa Lodge against the action and judgment of the D.D.G.M. for having accepted and adopted the report of the Trial Committee appointed by Ottawa Lodge to try the charge preferred by Bro. Botterell, of Ottawa Lodge, against Bro. May, of Ottawa Lodge, of misappopulating lodge funds.

Propriating lodge funds.

Your Committee on the evidence presented find that as the original charge was properly laid and brought before the Trial Committee in a regular manner, and whereas the Trial Committee recommended the infliction of such punishment as they thought commensurate with the offence, which judgment was upheld by

the lodge, and whereas the District Committee on Appeals upheld the decision of the Trial Committee and the lodge, your Committee on Appeals recommend that the appeal of Jas. T. Johns be not entertained.

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOS. DONNELLY.

On the motion of Grand Rep. Thos. Woodyatt, P.G.M., seconded by Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., the following was adopted: Resolved, -That when this Grand Lodge adjourns its present session, it does so to meet again at eight o'clock this evening.

Report No. 19-Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire from the Committee on Legislation, submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted by the required two-thirds vote:

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

Your Committee, to whom was referred clause 30 of the Grand Master's report on the matter of appeals, submit the following:

While realizing the propriety of the settling by a D.D.G.M. or the District Committee of all grievances arising in any district, yet we are not prepared to recommend that it be made compulsory on account of the expense of calling committee meetings for this purpose, we submit the following resolutions and recommend their adoption :

1st.—That the resolution adopted in 1897, appearing on page 6645, which requires that all grievances originating in any lodge shall first be submitted to the District Committee be and is hereby repealed.

2nd.—That clause 104 By-Laws of Grand lodge be amended by adding after the word "shall," in second paragraph, the words "have power to."

3rd.—That clause 105 be amended by adding to the last paragraph thereof the words, "and provided further, that if the D.D.G.M. finds that the calling of the Committee, or the submission of the appeal thereto, will involve expense, then the Committee shall not be convened for the hearing of the appeal unless the appellant gives security for the payment of such expenses, or unless the D.D.G.M. receives a requisition from three-fourths of the members of the Committee asking him to call a meeting for such purpose, but shall forward the appeal to the Grand Secretary for hearing by the Grand Lodge."

4th.—That the 12th rule of procedure on trials be amended by striking out the word "three," and inserting in lieu thereof "two

> Respectfully submitted. CI. T. CAMPBELL.

Report No. 20-Rep. R. Meek, from the same Committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

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

Your Committee on Legislation, to whom was referred Clause 15 of the Grand Secretary's report on the matter of "official receipts," would report that we do not consider any further legislation necessary. The Sovereign Grand

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Lodge has declared that the use of this official receipt is mandatory; that no other receipt should be given by the Financial Secretary. Lodges are required by general law to use these receipts and no other.

Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of this report.

Respectfully submitted.

R. MEEK.

Report No. 21-Rep. Robert Pye, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted, more than two-thirds of the Representatives voting therefor: To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, I.O.O.F. :

Your Committee to whom was referred Clause 9 of the Grand Master's

rour Committee to whom was reterred Clause 9 of the Grand Master's Report, in regard to the change of name of a brother, respectfully report the following resolution and recommend its adoption:

*Resolved:—That Bro. Geo. Robinson be required to produce to his lodge satisfactory evidence of his proper name, including a statutory declaration of the facts of the case, upon which his lodge will make the required correction in its books, and certify the same to the Grand Secretary.

Respectfully submitted.

ROBERT PYE.

Report No. 22-Rep. Edward Mitton, from the same Committee, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted; the necessary two-thirds voting in its favor:

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

Your Committee, to whom was referred Clause 30 of Grand Master's report in the matter of the lodge contract, would recommend that Clause 12 of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges be amended by inserting after the word "Ontario," in the fourth line, the words, "and the constitution, general laws, resolutions and decisions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge."

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

EDWARD MITTON.

Report No. 22-Rep. A. G. Bruce, from the same Committee, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted; the necessary two-thirds voting in its favor:

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

Your Committee to whom was referred Clause 40 of Grand Master's report, calling attention to an error in Clause 15 of Subordinate Lodge Constitution as adopted last year, recommend that the action of the Grand Master be approved; and that the following words be stricken out of said Clause 15, viz.: "Nor shall they be eligible for election or appointment to any office therein; nor shall they be allowed to vote for or have voice in the election of officers thereof, or upon any question involving or affecting the expenditure of ledge funds for any appropria any question involving or affecting the expenditure of lodge funds for any purpose.

Resolved:-That the above report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

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Report No. 23-Rep. Robert Meek, from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted; the necessary two-thirds voting in its favor.

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

Your Committee on Legislation, to whom was referred Paragraph 52 of the

Grand Master's report, beg to submit

1. That the circumstances are such that the rule usually followed in regard to the territory which may be covered by a lodge in canvassing for membership, does not always apply, and the dividing line between lodges cannot conveniently be half way to the lodge located in any direction by the nearest travelled route.

2. That the location of lodges contiguously makes the rule aforesaid inapplicable, and it is recommended, in its stead, that in such a case the boundary

between the municipalities shall be the boundary between the lodges.

3. That Clause 11, Subordinate Constitution, be made to read as follows:

No proposition for membership, either by initiation or by card, shall be received or acted upon if the applicant's residence be out of the jurisdiction (without the consent of the Grand Master of the jurisdiction in which he resides), nor if his residence be within the lines of an adjoining town or village municipality, whose boundary line, where the lodges are contiguous, shall be the boundary between the said lodges, unless consent of the lodges affected be obtained; and in the event of the violation of this clause the lodge shall pay over all fees received from such applicant to the lodge within whose jurisdiction he resided, and shall also be liable to suspension by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master. Jurisdiction shall mean, in cities or towns, the corporate limits. In all cases the applicants may be permitted to join the lodge nearest to the place of residence. In any city or town, where there are two or more lodges, the said lodge shall have concurrent jurisdiction.

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ROBERT MEEK.

24.-Rep. Jno. Ormiston, P.G.M., from the Report No Special Committee on that subject, made the following report, which was adopted:

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

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred certain letters of greeting

beg to report as follows

Letter from Galt Public Library, notifying the Grand Lodge that the Reading Room will be open every day during the Session, and extending a cordial invita-tion to our members to avail themselves of the opportunity of visiting the Library and reading the newspapers, periodicals and magazines with which the rooms are abundantly supplied. The extreme kindness and courtesy of the officials should be suitably acknowledged.

Letter from officials of Grand River Lodge, A.O.F., conveying friendly greetings and extending to Grand Lodge a hearty welcome to the Town of Galt. Your Committee would recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to acknowledge in suitable terms the kind courtesy, and convey to the local Court our best wishes for the success of the Order of which they are a constituent part.

Letter from Court Manchester, No. 71, C.O.F., bidding this Grand Lodge

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a generous welcome to the Town of Galt, and complimenting our Order on the good work in which we are engaged. Your Committee would suggest that the Grand Secretary be instructed to acknowledge, in suitable terms, the fraternal sentiments, and convey to the local Court our deep appreciation of fraternal sentiments, and convey to the Order they represent.

Letter from Friendship Lodge, Canadian Order of Odd Fellows, conveying strong sentiments of fraternal greeting to this Grand Lodge, and a hearty and cordial welcome to the Town of Galt. Your Committee would recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to thank the officers and members of the local Lodge for their kind courtesy and the heartiness of their welcome.

Letter from the Degree Staff, Ivy Lodge, D. of R., informing this Grand Lodge that an exemplification of the Degree Work would take place in the Town Hall, on Wednesday evening, 10th inst., at 8.30 o'clock. Your Committee would earnestly recommend that all Representatives who have taken the Degree should attend, and those who have not joined the Rebekah branch should avail should attend, and those who have not joined the Rebekah branch should avail themselves of this opportunity of doing so. If the work of the fair sisters of Ivy Lodge at all equals their reputation, a rich treat may be safely promised to all those who may attend.

Resolved: - That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted in F. L. & T.

JOHN ORMISTON, P.G.M.

The following application was, on motion of Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire, seconded by Rep. Jno. Gibson, P.G.M., granted:

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

I beg to apply to this Grand Body for permission to appeal to the Sovereign Grand Lodge against the action of the Grand Lodge in adopting the report of the Committee on Dues and Benefits. Yours fraternally,

R. N. SHEPPARD,

Albert Lodge, No. 194.

At six o'clock the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet again at eight o'clock this evening.

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EVENING SESSION.

GALT. AUGUST 11TH, 1898.

The Grand Lodge met pursuant to adjournment and was opened in regular form.

The Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, in the chair.

Report No. 25—Bro. W. F. Mountain, on behalf of the Committee on General Purposes, presented the report of that Committee as printed, which was adopted.

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

Your Committee on General Purposes beg to report :

The Board has had five regular meetings, September 2nd, 1897; January 20th, 1898; April 23rd, 1898; May 18th, 1898; July 1st, 1898, and very many more consultations when it was not deemed necessary to call a meeting of the Board.

At the meeting of September 2nd the re-appointment of the Board of the Grand Master was read, and the officers as last year

again elected.

Tenders were directed to be asked for sets of addressed envelopes, question books, orders for term P.W. and Financial Secretary's cash book. Five tenders were received for the books, and that of Warwick Bros. & Co., being the lowest, was accepted.

The books were delivered according to contract and the account

duly passed.

The tender of the Dominion Odd Fellow Printing Co. for

envelopes was accepted and the work satisfactorily done.

At the meeting of January 20th the price list of supplies was readjusted, in accordance with the present cost of all supplies, as directed by the Grand Lodge. Requisition blanks for supplies were ordered to be printed and the Lodges each supplied with copies. This was duly done.

Tenders were also asked for 50, 100 or 300 ante-room registers, and were received from Messrs. Brown Bros. and Warwick Bros. & Co. That of Brown Brothers, being the lowest and entirely satisfactory, was accepted, viz.: 100 books with the privilege of increasing the number if orders should be received to justify procuring more. These really useful and valuable books have not been

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ordered by the Lodges as they should have been. They are supplied at \$1.75 each, but if a Lodge had to have a single book made it would cost \$4 at least.

On account of the reduction in the price of the Official Receipts by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, your Committee directed that 500 books of 100 Receipts each, 50,000, be procured.

In correspondence with Bro. J. F. Grant, Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, it was ascertained that he could supply this Grand Lodge with Receipts with the words Assessment System printed on them at a better rate than he could have them printed in Ontario, and with much less trouble, but to do so would require the purchase at one time of the number ordered.

Your Committee regret to report that Lodges have not taken to these receipts as the law which gives them to us requires. It will be necessary for the Grand Lodge to direct your Committee or the Grand Lodge as to its future action in the matter.

Your Committee directed that the Ritual account with the Sovereign Grand Lodge be closed in accordance with the letter of Bro. Grant, Grand Secretary, viz., that the sum of \$38 in cash and a reduced credit for Rituals burned of \$38 be allowed; this balances the account. While your Committee took this action, at the same time it directed that the question of a refund by the Sovereign Grand Lodge of this \$76 be asked. The Grand Secretary will report his action in this matter.

On April 23rd a letter from Naomi Lodge, No. 116, was read, making an offer for the Regalia and Paraphernalia surrendered by late Allerton Lodge. Inasmuch as loss would likely accrue to the Regalia by moths, &c., it was ordered that the offer be accepted and the articles sold to Naomi Lodge for \$75, which was done and the sum placed to the credit of the Defunct Lodge account.

On May 18th tenders were opened for supplying 1,400 copies of Reports of Committees, as ordered by Grand Lodge last year; that of the Bryant Press, being the lowest and otherwise satisfactory, was accepted. 500 copies were at once sent out to the Lodges, and the remainder will be bound up with the Officers' Reports for the

Tenders were also opened for printing the reports of officers for the Grand Lodge session and for printing the Journal of 1898. The Bryant Press tender, being the lowest and the former work of that office so satisfactory, the contract was given to that company.

The tender of Hemming Brothers for badges was accepted and the work satisfactorily done.

Your Committee would suggest that, in addition to the portrait

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Respectfully submitted.

W. F. MOUNTAIN, W. J. McCormack, J. B. King.

The following telegram was read, and on resolution the sympathy of the Grand Lodge was extended to Bro. W. Warnock on his enforced absence:

AYLMER, ONT., Aug. 11th.

I. A. Young, Grand Master I.O.O.F.:

Sickness forbids me being with you. Accept well-wishes for pleasant and profitable meeting.

W. WARNOCK.

Report No. 26—Bro. Joel McLeod, from the Committee on Legislation, made the following report:

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

We, your Committee, to whom was referred the notice to amend the Constitution submitted by Rep. R.N. Sheppard, beg leave to report that we have examined the proposed amendment and find that it meets the requirements of the case and recommend its adoption.

The report as referred and sent out to the Lodges is as follows:

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

The Report of the Committee on "Transfer of Membership" (JOURNAL 1897, p. 6570) was adopted and referred by the Grand Master to the Judiciary Committee to report, if the legislation asked for was within the power of the Grand Lodge to adopt.

The Report of the Judiciary Committee (JOURNAL, 1897, p. 6621) was referred to the Committee on Legislation (JOURNAL, 1897, p. 6648), which Committee reported the following amendments to the Constitution of Subordinates:

Your Committee on Legislation to whom was referred the Report of the Special Committee on Transfer of Membership, beg to recommend that the Constitution of Subordinates be amended by adding thereto, under the head of "Disbursements," a clause to be called "56 A," which shall read as follows:

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rred the nip, beg nded by se to be "In the case of a member who, having changed his place of residence, or who, on the account of the starting of a new Lodge, shall find himself nearer to some other Lodge in the jurisdiction than the one he is a member of, and who, having been granted a withdrawal card, shall apply for admission and be accepted in the Lodge nearest to his residence, he shall be entitled to have paid by the Lodge he is leaving, on account of the balance of his initiation fee (that is, his admission fee, less the proposition fee of \$2.00 already paid by him) or on account of this balance of his admission fee and his dues, an amount to be determined as follows:

- I. When the Lodge from which the member withdraws is working under a system of graded initiation fees, the amount shall be one-half of that fee at the age of the member at the time of his withdrawal, less the sum of \$2.00.
- 2. When the Lodge from which the member withdraws is working under a system of level initiation fees at all ages, and dues graded, the amount shall be one-half of this general admission fee with fifteen per cent of this half added for each year the brother has held membership in the Lodge, less also the sum of \$2.00."

Resolved :- The foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOEL MCLEOD.

The question being on the adoption of the report,

Resolved:—That the report of the Committee on Transfer of Membership, being of such a radical and important a character, be laid on the table for the further consideration of this Grand Body.

The following, moved by Reps. Hy. White, P.G.M., and Richard Clark, was declared lost:

Resolved:—That the report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to strike out the words "in the jurisdiction" in the fifth line of the said paragraph, and to insert the words "within one year from the time of such change of residence or the starting of such new lodge" after the word "accepted" in the seventh line of said paragraph.

The question on the adoption of the report by Rep. Joel McLeod, it was declared lost.

The Grand Lodge resolved into Secret Session, when Grand Representative Thos. Woodyatt, P.G.M., and Grand Master J. A. Young exemplified the unwritten work in a most thorough manner.

The Grand Lodge resumed its regular business.

Report No. 27-Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., from the Judiciary Committee, presented the following report, which was considered seriatim:

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

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Clause 26, Grand Mas-

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2. That the answer to Question 14 be amended by striking out the words

"has the right to" and inserting the word "should" in lieu thereof.

3. That the answer to Question 30 be amended by striking out the words "not otherwise except" and inserting the words "or where" in lieu thereof.

4. That the answer to Question 31 be amended by striking out all the words after the word "dues" in the second line, up to and inclusive of the word "conduct" in the fifth line.

5. That the answer to Question 52 be amended by striking out the words "the law respecting rejected candidates prohibits every member of the Order."

6. That Answer 82 be not approved. The liability of the sureties on a Treasurer Bond depends on the wording of the instrument.

7. That the answer to Question 83 be amended by striking out "the" before word "estate" in the fourth line, and inserting the word "her" in lieu thereof. Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

J. T. HORNIBROOK.

The clauses—I to 7—were severally considered and adopted.

The report as a whole was adopted.

Report No. 28-Rep. Francis H. Gisborne, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:

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

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Clause 26, questions 6 and 20, of the Grand Master's report, recommend that the answer to question No. 6 be amended by striking out the word "exclusively" and adding the following Grand J. A. mer.

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words: "Or members of their families who are beneficiaries under the laws of the order. Otherwise it can only be paid out of the contingent fund."

And that question 20 be amended by inserting after the word "him" in the second line the following words: "As it is illegal to issue a withdrawal card except upon the voluntary written application of the member to whom it is issued."

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS H. GISBORNE.

Report No. 29-Rep. R. K. Cowan, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:

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

We, the Judiciary Committee, to whom was referred Section XXVI. of the Grand Master's report, beg to report upon Decisions Nos. 49 and 50 as follows: We recommend that there be added to the answer to question No. 49 the following: "Until convicted under the laws of the Order."

We further recommend that the answer to question No. 50 be struck out and the following be substituted therefor: "Where a member of the Order is convicted of a crime and is sentenced and is serving a term in prison, charges shall be preferred against him in the lodge of which he is a member, and upon the facts being established and the member fully identified he must be expelled."

Digest Sec. 1683.

Resolved: - That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

R. K. COWAN.

Report No. 30-Rep. J. Hewer, from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:

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

We, your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, beg leave to report that we we, your committee on Muleage and Per Diem, beg leave to report that we have computed the mileage and per diem of the officers and representatives attending the present session of the Grand Lodge at the sum of \$4,889,05, and would recommend that the Grand Treasurer be authorised to pay the same. The pay roll—four thousand eight hundred and eighty-nine dollars and five cents—amounts to about nine hundred dollars less than that of the session held at Belleville last year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES HEWER.

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Grand River	16	Paris	22	3 2	J, 11	3 8	3 5	J. E. Harrison.	
Milton	265	Milton	24	1 20	. "	8 9	7 20	Ins. Powley	
Western City	93	Chatham	122	6 10	, m	89	12 10	Stephen G. Tilley.	
Aylmer	45	Aylmer	49	3 35	, "	00 9	253	C. T. Burdick.	
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Kidgetown	144	Ridgetown	126	6 30		00 9	12 30	E. Mitton.
Kilverside	145	Iroquois	282	14 10		00 9		Samuel Fravne.
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Model	147	Wyoming	104	5 20	3	8 9	20	Henry Lucas.
Aurora	148	Aurora	87	4 35	3	009	35	W. D. Elliott,
Western Star	149	Brussels	98	4 30	3	00 9	30	W. C. Smith.
Sycamore	151	Arkona	96	4 80	3	00 9	80	A. M. Thoman.
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Report No. 31—Rep. W. S. Given, from the Advisory Committee on the Odd Fellows' Reliet Association, presented the following report:

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

Your Advisory Committee on the Odd Fellows' Relief Association beg leave to report as follows:

1. Your Committee attended the annual meeting of the Association, held in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Kingston, on Wednesday, July 20th, 1898.

2. It is with pleasure we are able to report increased interest shown by the Brotherhood at large in the objects of the Association.

3. The deathgrate during the past year has been a fraction lower than that of the previous year, and we see no reason, considering the care exercised by the directors, that the present low rate shall not be maintained during the present

4. While the amount paid out for death claims was larger than last year, we are glad to report that thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000) have been carried over to the Reserve Fund, which brings that fund now up to one hundred and forty thousand dollars (\$140,000), guaranteeing to our policy-holders freedom from extra taxation should the day of unusual epidemic arise, and holding forth to our members assuring facts as to the stability of the Association.

5. Your Committee is pleased to report that the annual meeting decided to admit female members of Rebekah Lodges to the benefits of the Association, limiting the amount of insurance to be taken by them, for the present, to one thousand dollars. We believe this is a step in the right direction, and one destined to increase the usefulness of the Association and also assist the Order generally in its noble objects.

6. In order that no doubt should exist regarding the cost of management of the Association, the amount placed at the disposal of the directors for such purposes was definitely placed at one dollar per member, annually, a very low figure, but there is every hope that this will be found sufficient. This one dollar per member, it must be understood, is to be used for management expenses, and does not include cost of collecting assessments, which, it would seem, should reasonably be charged to the Mortuary Account.

7. In the daily struggles incident to human life the great majority of our members find it necessary that some mode of life assurance be provided for the loved ones when the bread-winner is called away.

8. Your Committee have ascertained and do testify that the Odd Fellows' Relief Association of Canada is among the best, if not at the head of, protective assurance societies, and we heartily coincide with the reports presented from the several Grand Jurisdictions of Odd Fellows in Canada, and we recommend the confinued support and recognition of this Grand Lodge to, the said Odd Fellows' Relief Association.

We suggest that the brothers individually show their good feeling by assisting the agents of the Association in speaking a good word for it.

10. We further recommend that as an appreciation of the tangible assistance rendered this Grand Jurisdiction in the increase of membership, largely the result of the insurance plan of the Odd Fellows' Relief Association, permission be granted the said Association to add a foot note in our application for membership form "Do you desire membership in the Odd Fellows' Relief Association?" also to print a table of classified rates of assessment on the backs of said applica-

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11. We are of the opinion that every Odd Fellow who can should hold a policy in the Relief Association, because every loyal Odd Fellow (to quote the

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words of our Grand Master) requiring insurance should seek such first in the Odd Fellows' Relief Association, because it is established on sound business principles, most economically managed and offers, we believe, the safest investment, with ample security, of any, society of its kind.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. S. GIVEN.

The question being on the adoption of the report.

Rep. A. Macomb, seconded by Rep. Alf. Coyell, moved the following:

Resolved:—That the report be amended by striking out Clause 10 (giving permission to the Relief Association to add a foot note on forms of application for membership into the Order).

Which was adopted.

The Report as so amended was adopted.

Rep. Jno. Gibson, P.G.M., from the Committee on Rebekah Degree, submitted a report of that Committee, which was by consent of the Grand Lodge withdrawn.

Report No. 32—Bro. Donald Robertson, from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, presented the following report of that Committee, giving their labors for the year past, which was adopted:

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

Your Committee on Laws of Subordinates, appointed to examine the Constitution, By-Laws and amendments thereto of Subordinate Lodges, submit the following report:

That they have carefully examined all By laws and amendments submitted during the year, hereto appended; a full report with corrections (when necessary) was sent to each lodge whose By laws have been under consideration, and recommend that the same be adopted subject to the corrections in each case as noted.

This Committee has complained to this Grand Lodge for several sessions of the laxness shown by lodges who submit By-laws in not complying with the law relating to authentication of proposed by-laws. This year has not been free from this same neglect on the part of lodge officers, and much labor and correspondence has been given the chairman.

Your Committee regret the unavoidable absence of their chairman, Bro. W. A. Rawlings, at this session of the Grand Lodge, owing to illness, he having been present at every session for over twenty years. We trust that his recovery will be speedy and permanent, so that his valuable services will not be lost to the Grand Lodge.

Resolved: - That the foregoing be adopted.

D. ROBERTSON.

Brock Lodge, No. 9.

Two copies of Amendments to By-laws properly certified received.

50. Amendment to Section 42, not approved.

Amendment to Section 58 fails on account of amendment to Section 42 not being approved.

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Amendment to Clause 59, I think you mean to substitute this for the present clause, if this is your intention it is approved.

35. New Clause 35 substituted for old Clause 35, approved.

Second Report.

Two copies of Amendments to By-law No. 42, re Sick Benefits, passed May 10th, 1898, properly certified, was received and approved.

CATARAQUI LODGE, No. 10.

Two copies of Amendments to By-laws submitted.

New Clause 21; strike out all after "provided" in the fourth line to end of clause. See decision Grand Sire No. 18, J.S.G.L., 1897. Balance of amendments approved.

OTONABEE LODGE, No. 13.

Two copies of new By-law in reference to non-beneficial mempership submitted and approved.

PHŒNIX LODGE, No. 22.

Two copies of new By-laws in MSS. properly certified.
48. Clause 2, add "and a certificate of good health from the lodge Physician, on the form provided by the Grand Ladge."

Clauses Nos. 4 and 9 are the same. You had better strike out one and

renumber the others.

Clause 18; there is some mistake here, as Clause 39, of By-laws, has reference to dismissal of officers.

62. Clause 19; quarterly dues must be made payable on certain fixed dates.
42. Clause 58; strike out the word "lodge" in 7th line and insert the word "Order."

50. Clause 63; strike out the figures "\$1.00," in the 3rd to last line and insert the figures "\$2.00."

37-60. Clause 77; strike out the word "provided" in the seventh line and all to the end of clause, and add "the same to be paid within sixty days."

Clause 78; amend in accordance with 77. The balance of By-laws approved.

CHATHAM LODGE No. 29.

2. Two copies of Constitution and By-Laws, with amendments submitted not certified.

62. Clause 37, add to this clause the following: "Payable on the first

Tuesday in January, April, July and October."
55. Clause 46, strike out "one dollar" and insert "two dollars." 55. Clause 46, strike of Amendments approved.

GORE LODGE No. 34.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 26 and 44, also two new By-laws

known as additional I and 2 submitted, and one copy of printed By-laws.

Amendment to Clauses 26 and 44 and the additional By-law No I approved.

Additional By-law No. 2 strike out all after "Benefits" in first line to and including "of" where it occurs the first time.

48. Printed copy—Clause 3, after "certificate" insert "on the form provided by the Grand Lodge."

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11. Clause 5, add to this clause "or conferring Degrees."

62. Clause 34, page 35, strike out "Lodge night in each quarter" and insert "Monday in January, April, July and October."

42. Clause 41, strike out "Lodge" in eighth line and insert "Order."

45-55. Clause 43, strike out "\$1.75" and insert "\$2.00," and add to this clause the following: "A member admitted on an unexpired withdrawal card shall be entitled to benefits immediately on admission to membership."

37-46-51. Clause 49 50, 51-54 illegal.

32. Clause 61, after "Membership" insert, "He having been first notified of the action that would be taken, a record of which must be entered on the

FOREST CITY LODGE, No. 38.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws properly certified received. Amendment to Clause 28 B approved.

50. Amendment to Clause 51 A, strike out \$1.75 and insert \$2. See White's Digest, 1895, page 50, section 13.
Amendment to Clause 32 A approved.

Avon Lodge, No. 41.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 17, 27, 33, 37, 47 submitted and approved.

DOMINION LODGE, No. 48.

2. Two copies of amendment to By law No. 7 of this Lodge, re night o meeting, received, signature of Noble Grand omitted.

CANADA LODGE, No. 49.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 23, 26 and 43 of By-laws submitted also two copies of By-laws recommended by the Advisory Board of the Grand Lodge, all of which are approved.

OTTER LODGE, No. 50.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws of Otter Lodge, No. 50. Properly certified submitted,

Change the word permanent secretary to financial secretary. Amendments approved.

NIAGARA FALLS LODGE, No. 53.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws, submitted and approved.

Collingwood Lodge, No. 54.

First Report

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 44 and 47 submitted and approved.

2.48. Clause 31 of By-laws (only one copy of which was submitted) after

62. Clause 35, after "advance" in both the 4th and 6th lines insert "on

the first regular meetings in January, April, July and October."

52. Clause 35, after "membership" insert "he having been notified of the

action that would be taken, a record of which must be entered on the minutes." Second Report.

Five copies of amendments to Clauses 31, 44, 47 of By-laws submitted and approved.

NOTE.—I would suggest that after the word "arrears" in amendments to Clause 44 you insert the words "for dues," and in Clause 47 after word "lodge" the word "for," and after "weeks" the word "dues."

Two copies of amendment to Clause 17 of By-laws submitted, not approved. NOTE.—Clause 28 of Constitution provides for only one physician, and he

must be elected.

Last year this committee advised several changes in the By-laws of this Lodge which do not appear in the copy sent as the By-laws under which the Lodge is now working.

HOPE LODGE, No. 69.

Two copies of amendments to Clause 43 of By-laws in reference to sick benefits, submitted not properly certified; signature of Noble Grand and Secretary omitted; amendment approved.

NIPISSING LODGE, No. 79.

One copy of amendments to Clause 47; appendix, strike out the word \$4 and insert \$3; amendment approved.

GRAND UNION LODGE, No. 97.

First Report.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws submitted.

Amendment to Clauses 63 and 64, not approved (Clause 28 of Constitution only provides for one physician.)

Balance of amendments approved.

Second Report.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 63 and 64 of By-laws, in reference to election and duties of physician, submitted and approved.

MINTO LODGE, No. 98.

First Report.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 56 and 72 of By-laws, in reference to the admission of members by card, and rate of sick benefits, submitted and approved.

Second Report.

Two copies of By-laws of Minto Lodge, 98, I.O.O.F., properly certified, received.

Wherever the word "permanent secretary" or "P.S." occurs strike out "permanent" and insert "financial" instead, and where the letters "P.S." strike out "P." and insert "F."

Clause 58, strike out the words "in the jurisdiction" in the last line.

Clause 67, strike out whole clause (see authority 12).

The rest of By-laws approved.

LAUREL LODGE, No. 110.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 27 and 34 of By-laws submitted. Amendments to Clause 27, strike out "\$1.50" and insert "\$2."

GANANOQUE LODGE, No. 114.

First Report.

Two copies of By-laws submitted and approved.

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Second Report. Two copies of amendments to Clauses Nos. 26 and 57, also new Clause 58, properly certified. Submitted and approved.

DRESDEN LODGE, No. 124.

One copy of Clause 44 of By-laws of Dresden Lodge, No. 124, as amended and properly certified and approved.

STELLA LODGE, No. 125.

Two copies of amendments to clause 39 of By-laws properly certified, received and approved.

MIZPAH LODGE, No. 127.

Two copies of Constitution and By-laws, also two copies amendments submitted.

2. By-laws not certified.

60. Clause 53, add to this the following: "The whole to be paid within sixty days after reasonable proof of death."

48. Amendments to clause 19, strike out "as per form in use" and insert on the form provided by the Grand Lodge." Balance of amendments approved.

NOTE .- If I understand the amendment to Clause 45 your intention is to pay \$2 per week to every member,—the third degree member only getting \$2 per week for the first two weeks, then \$3 per week. If such is the intention all after "say" in the seventh line to and including "week" in the ninth line should be struck out.

OAKVILLE LODGE, No. 132.

Two copies of amendments to Clause 45 of By-laws not approved, 55-62. Strike out "twenty-six" and insert "fity-two," and after "advance" insert "on the first Monday in January, April, July and October."

ST. LAWRENCE LODGE No. 137.

Two copies of By-law in reference to Trustees, submitted and approved.

LISTOWEL LODGE No. 160.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 30 and 34 of By-laws, properly certified, received. Amendments approved.

You had better amend Clause 30 still further, by making your dues payable on or before the 31st March, 30th June, 30th September, 31st December. This will comply with the insurance Corporation Act, 1892. JOURNAL Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1892, page 5359.

ROMEO LODGE No. 164.

Two copies of Constitution and By-laws submitted. 48. Clause 4, add to this clause the following: "Said certificate to be on the form provided by the Grand Lodge,"

DOLMAN LODGE No. 174.

Two copies of Constitution and By-laws of Dolman Lodge No. 174, I.O.O.F., in book form, properly certified. Amend Clause 3 of By-laws by inserting between the words "by" and "the" in the second line the words, "A certificate of good health from the lodge physician on the form provided by the Grand Lodge," also.

The rest of By-laws approved.

FLORENCE LODGE No. 196.

Two copies of Constitution and By-laws, with certain amendments submitted. Amendment to Clause 38, strike out "Vote" and insert "By-law."
42. Clause 48, strike out "Lodge" in seventh line, and insert "Order." Balance of By-laws approved.

BRITANNIA LODGE No. 198.

Two copies of new By-laws in printer's copy properly certified, submitted. Clause 6, strike out the word, "permanent," and insert in place thereof financial," also the initial "p," and insert "f" wherever they occur in By-laws.
42. Clause 39, after the word "debenture," in seventh line, add "provided, however, that no money shall be loaned to any member of the Order."

12. Clause 42, strike out. Clause 58, after the word, "membership," in third line, add the words. "a record of which must be entered on the minutes."

The balance of By-laws approved

PEMBROKE LODGE No. 203.

One copy of amendment to Clause No. 18, changing night of meeting from Friday to Tuesday, approved.

ARGYLL LODGE No. 212.

Two copies of Constitution and By-laws submitted, not properly certified. 2. Signature of Noble Grand and Secretary omitted. By-laws approved.

CHESLEY LODGE No. 221.

2-48. One copy of amendments submitted. Amendment to Clause 3, after "certificate" add "on the form provided by the Grand Lodge."

11. Clause 6, printed copy, add to this clause "or conferring degrees."

42. Clause 41, strike out "Lodge," in eighth line, and insert "Order."

55-45. Clause 44, strike out "one dollar" and insert "two dollars." Also add to this clause "A member admitted on an unexpired withdrawal card shall be entitled to benefits immediately upon admission to membership."

60. Amendment to Clause 53, strike out "in two semi-annual instalments," and insert "within sixty days after reasonable proof of death."

54. Clause 54, strike out "or should his widow afterwards die."

54. Clause 56, strike out entire clause.

52-44. Clause 63, after "membership" insert "he having been first notified of the action that would be taken, a record of which must be entered on the minutes." Strike out the form of prayer.

Balance of amendments and By-laws approved.

HENSALL LODGE No. 223.

Two copies of By-laws in MSS. submitted.
62. Clause 36, strike out "close of each quarterly term," and insert "first Friday in January, April, July and October.'

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OTTAWA LODGE No. 224.

First Report.

Two copies of amendments to Clause No. 1 of By-laws, properly certified, changing night of meeting from Tuesday to Wednesday, received and approved.

Second Report.

Two copies of amendments to Clause 40, in reference to maintenance of Contingent Fund. With the addition of the five words I have interlined, the same is approved.

INTERNATIONAL LODGE No. 228.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 26 and 38 of By-laws, also new Clause 24, submitted and approved.

WATERFORD LODGE No. 235.

2. Two copies of By-laws in MSS submitted, not properly certified, signature of Secretary omitted.

55-50. Clause 42, strike out "one fifty" and insert "two dollars"; also strike out "a brother of the third degree," and insert after "disability," in fifteenth line, "all brothers shall receive the sum of one dollar per week during the remainder of said sickness or disability."

STIRLING LODGE No. 239.

24 Two copies of Constitution and By-laws, also two copies of amendment to Clause 44 submitted, not certified.

Clause 44 submitted, not certified.

57-62. Amend Clause 35, so as to conform to Clause 47 of the Constitution, and add to the clause "and shall be payable on the first Wednesday in January, April, July and October."

NOTE.—This is the third time the attention of the Lodge has been called to this matter.

Amendment approved.

PORT ARTHUR LODGE No. 244.

Two copies of amendments to Clauses 38, 39, 40, 42, in reference to admission fees, submitted and approved.

FRATERNITY LODGE No. 264.

Two copies of amendment to Clause 15 of By-laws, in reference to Contingent Fund, submitted and approved.

ROCKLIFFE LODGE No. 278.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws, properly certified, received.

Amendment to Section 15, page 25, approved.

Amendment to, or new Section 36 A, to rates of admission, page 30,

26. Addition to Clause 45, page 32, re Sick Benefits, not approved.

LYN LODGE No. 284.

2. Two copies of amendment to Clause 50 of By-laws submitted, not certified. Amendment approved.

PRINCETON LODGE No. 307.

Two copies of amendment to Clause 49 of By-laws, in reference to Funeral Benefits, submitted and approved.

ELECTRIC CITY LODGE No. 313.

Two copies of amendment to Clause 17 of By-laws, in reference to the duty of Treasurer, submitted and approved.

PROSPECT LODGE No. 314.

First Report.

Two copies of amendment to Clause 26 of By laws submitted and approved-

Second Report. Two copies of amendments of By-laws of Prospect Lodge No. 314, properly certified, submitted.

Amendments to By-laws Nos. 2, 3, 4, 20, 21, 22, 23, approved. 26, I think, could be still further amended to make it plainer, the first four words in the second line from bottom of first page of amendments might be read to mean only sick members. And I do not suppose you mean that if you do it is all right, but, if not, it would be better to strike these four words out and insert

"member of the Lodge in good standing."

By-laws 30, 41, 42, 43, strike out "10 cents," insert "5 per cent." 44, 46

By-law 60, strike out figures \$1.50, in fifth line, and insert \$2.00. 66, add except a member admitted on an unexpired withdrawal card who becomes

HESPELER LODGE No. 321.

Two copies of amendments to By laws of Hespeler Lodge No. 321, properly certified, submitted and approved.

ONTARIO LODGE No. 324.

Two copies of amendment to By-laws of Ontario Lodge No. 324, I.O.O.F., properly certified, submitted and approved.

The Grand Lodge adjourned at 10 o'clock.

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THIRD DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

GALT, August 12th, 1898.

The Grand Lodge assembled at 9 o'clock and was opened in regular form.

The Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, presiding.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain, Rev. Bro. A. L. Geen.

The roll was called, and the following Grand Officers and a majority of Representatives were present:—

J. A. Young	Grand Master		
J. E. FAREWELL	Deputy Grand Master		
JAS. McLurg			
J. B. KING	Grand Secretary		
W. J. McCormack	Grand Treasurer		
THOMAS WOODYATT, P.G.M	Grand Representative		
GEORGE GEDDES	Grand Marshal		
R. H. PERRY	Grand Conductor		
J. W. SIMPSON	Grand Guardian		
R. H. Rowe	Grand Herald		
REV. A. L. GEEN	Grand Chaplain		
HENRY WHITE	Junior Past Grand Master		

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Report No. 33-Rep. R. N. Sheppard, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, made the following report, which was adopted:—

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

We, your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, to whom was referred Clause 23 of the Grand Master's Report, beg to report as follows:

We recommend that charters be granted the following Lodges, viz. :	as requested,
Strathcona No. 326, Saugeen. No. 327, Underwood No. 328, Prosperity. No. 329, Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.	Shelburne. Markdale. Underwood. Delhi.
Respectfully submitted.	
R. N. SHEI	PARD.

Report No. 34-Rep. R. N. Sheppard, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0.F. :

We, your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, to whom was referred Clause 28 of the Grand Master's Report, beg to report as follows:

1. We believe the Grand Master would have been acting well within his rights had he declined to answer, as Grand Master, many matters of an unofficial character referred to him. Yet we cannot but admire the zeal that prompted him to so answer, and are pleased that on this account no cause for dissatisfaction

exists among the membership.

2. That when we look over the decisions given by the Grand Master, we are satisfied that in a large percentage of the cases, had the question been put to the D.D.G.M. of the particular District, the point involved would have been cleared up without further reference.

3. We would recommend that when correspondence is not promptly answered by secretaries, the D.D.G.M. should be notified, so that the cause thereof may be ascertained and, if possible, remedied.

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Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

R. N. SHEPPARD.

Report No. 35-Rep. C. C. Lyman, from Special Committee No. 1, presented the following report, which was considered seriatim :-

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0 F. :

Your Committee (Special No. 1) beg to report upon the matters referred to it by the Grand Body

Clause iii. of the Grand Master's Report :

Your Committee consider that on the proper management of the accounts between a member and his lodge depends, in a very large degree, the number of suspensions, and your Committee would urge that the Representatives be asked to impress upon the Subordinate Lodges the great importance of making a good choice of Financial Secretary, and the more frequent use by him of personal

2. Clause xxxi. of the Grand Master's Report : Your Committee consider that Clause 54, Subordinate Constitution, sufficiently covers the above. We would suggest that the incoming Grand Master, in his first official circular, call attention to the fact that several lodges have been

financially ruined by injudicious loans.

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3. Clause xxxii. of the Grand Master re appointment of We approve of the suggestion made by the Grand Master re appointment of an instructor or instructors, for the purpose of visiting weak lodges, of obtaining increase in membership, regaining of suspended members, and generally to revive interest where such has died out.

Clause xxxvi. of the Grand Master's Report : Your Committee (are of opinion that it would be in the interest of the Order in this jurisdiction that a Central Guarantee Fund should be instituted for the purpose of giving security to weak lodges which may have to bear the burden consequent on prolonged illness or high death rate, and) recommend that the Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge be instructed to obtain the necessary permission for the formation of such guarantee fund,

Clause xxxvii. of the Grand Master's Report : Your Committee feel that the thanks of this Grand Body are due to the Grand Master, for the untiring manner in which he has visited weak lodges and endeavored to improve their condition, also in pointing out to Grand Lodge just

where those lodges are situated. We feel that the Instructors, as proposed in Clause xxxii., would be efficient
officers to carry on this work, and would also much relieve the Grand Master of

6. Clause xxxviii. of the Grand Master's Report : Your Committee recommend that our Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge endeavor to have the age limit for non-beneficial members removed.

Resolved,-That the report be adopted. All of which is respectfully submitted, C. C. LYMAN.

By consent, the preamble to Clause 4 was withdrawn by the Committee-the words in brackets.

Clauses 1, 2 and 3 were severally adopted.

The question being on the adoption of Clause 4, it was declared

lost. Clauses 5 and 6 were considered and adopted, and the report as amended was adopted.

The following telegram from the High Court of Foresters was read, and referred to the Special Committee on Invitations, etc.:

CHATHAM, ONT., 10th Aug., 1898.

To Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Galt, Ont. :

High Court of Ontario Independent Order of Foresters, in session assembled, send most fraternal greetings. A. H. BACKUS.

To which the following reply was reported by the Chairman of the Committee, Bro. Jno. Ormiston, P.G.M., viz. :

A. H. Backus, High Secretary High Court of Ontario Independent Order of Foresters, Chatham, Ont.

Grand Lodge Independent Order Odd Fellows, Ontario, heartily reciprocate your kind fraternal greetings.

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Report No. 36 - Rep. J. R. Boothby, from Special Committee No. 2, made the following report, which was adopted :-

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

We, your Special Committee No. 2, beg leave to report as follows re Clause 6, Grand Master's Report:

That it is a source of pleasure and satisfaction to know that Beacon Lodge No. 201, Pt. Colborne, and Tecumseh Lodge No. 182, Otterville, have prospered to such an extent as to be able to erect handsome halls for their use, and that the thanks of this body are due to Grand Master Young and P.G.M. McIntyre for their valuable services in connection with the dedication of the

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAS. R. BOOTHBY.

Report No. 37-Rep. Theo. Lawrence, from Special Committee No. 3, made the following report, which was adopted:-

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

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred Clauses 7 and 35, and Sections B and C of the Grand Master's Report, and the Treasurer's Report of the Home Fund, beg to submit that your Committee are heartily in accord with the object to which these several clauses all refer, viz., a home for aged Odd Fellows, orphans, etc., and endorse the action taken and suggestions set forth by said Home Committee, and are of opinion said Committee should be given overy support and encouragement of Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges to urge the completion of the good work and noble object of the Order.

While your Committee regrets that the contributions do not reach the required amount, would suggest further appeals to make up balance necessary to carry out its object, and respectfully move the adoption of the foregoing report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THEO. LAWRENCE.

Report No. 38 - Rep. A. Macoomb, from Special Committee No. 4, made the following report, which was considered seriatim:

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0.F .:

Your Committee, to whom were submitted Clauses 14, 15, 17 and 41 of the Grand Master's Report, and Clause 23 of Grand Secretary's Report, beg leave

1. Clause 14, Grand Master's Report. Your Committee approve of this clause, and urge that this Grand Body place itself in a position to bring into active operation the recommendation of the Grand Master.

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2. Clause 15, Grand Master's Report. We also approve of this clause.
We believe much of this difficulty would be overcome if some more efficient
system of auditing and inspecting the books were in operation. We would
therefore recommend that the D.D.G.M.'s be instructed to inspect all the books
of the several lodges in their jurisdiction semi-annually, and report the same to
the Grand Secretary; and we would further recommend that this Grand Lodge
urge upon its subordinate bodies the advisability of having their books and diselled. urge upon its subordinate bedies the advisability of having their books audited at intervals by a professional auditor.

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3. Clause 17, Grand Master's Report. Your Committee, while approving of the principles contained in this clause, yet recognizing the importance of this matter, and the great difficulty of making laws to meet the requirements and conditions of various lodges, believe that more time should be given for the consideration of this matter, and would therefore recommend that it be placed in the hands of a committee to report at the next session of this Grand Lodge.

4. Clause 41, Grand Master's Report. Your Committee find from state ments made by Bro. McGrath, the newly-elected Financial Secretary of Howiel Lodge, that this lodge is in far better shape than the reports referred to in this

clause would indicate, there being at the present time seven or eight member

in good standing, three propositions on hand, and funds to the amount of about

\$1,000, and that all they require is some influential fraternal assistance and in-

struction. We therefore recommend that the Grand Master pay Howick Lodge an official visit at as early a date as possible, or appoint a competent brother for this purpose. We believe that if this matter is given prompt attention, this

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fees and dues, but feel that it would be encroaching upon the duties of the Special Committee on this subject to make any recommendation in the matter.

In regard to the latter part of this clause dealing with a central fund, we

have noted the several important points brought out, and we think the matter altogether too serious an one to be properly dealt with at this meeting of Grand Lodge, and we would therefore recommend that it be referred to a Committee to report at the next meeting of this Grand Body. All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. MACOOMB.

Clauses 1, 2, 3 and 4 were considered and adopted.

On motion of Reps. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., and Ino. Ormiston, P.G.M., the second paragraph of Clause 5 was struck out. The report as so amended was adopted.

Report No. 39-Rep. L. C. Pascoe, from Special Committee No. 5, made the following report, which was adopted:

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

We, your Special Committee No. 5, appointed by the Grand Master, beg to express our hearty approval of the recommendations contained in Sections 19, 29 and 44 of the Grand Master's Report, and feel assured that were his suggestions carried out they would prove a great assistance to Odd Fellowship

Report No. 40—Rep. W. R. Blewett, from Special Committee No. 6, made the following report:

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

Your Special Committee No. 6, to whom was referred Clause No. 45 of the Grand Master's Report respecting "Assessment System," endorse the recommendation of the Grand Master as fully set out in said Clause 45, and recommend that Clause 55 of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges be and the same is hereby repealed.

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Resolved, -That this report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. R. BLEWETT. The question, being on the adoption of the report, it was adopted; the necessary two-thirds voting in its favor.

Report No. 41-Rep. W. R. Blewett, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was considered and adopted:

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

Your Special Committee No. 6, to whom was referred Clause 24 of the Grand Master's Report, and Clauses 18 and 19 of the Grand Secretary's Report, respecting the Odd Fellows' Relief Association of Kingston, endorse the recommendation therein made by the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, that said Relief Association is being conducted under careful management, economical and wise government, and should receive the generous support of all members of our Order.

Resolved,-That this report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

W. R. BLEWETT.

Report No. 42-Rep. Isaac Unsworth, from Special Committee No. 7, made the following report, which was adopted:-

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0.F. :

Your Special Committee No. 7, to whom was referred Clause 49 of the

Grand Master's Report, beg leave to report as follows:

That the thanks of this Grand Lodge is due to Bro. J. S. Middough,
D.D.G.M. of District No. I, and to Bro. W. H. Ryall and Bro. W. Stairs for the voluntary and substantial assistance given to the Grand Master in pursuance of his duties in connection with Woodslee Lodge, and, we are pleased to add, great benefit resulted from that visit, as that Lodge is now working harmoniously together and has since initiated several candidates. Also the thanks of the Grand Lodge are due to the several District Deputies mentioned in the report, who have given their valuable assistance in advancing the work of the Order, and would add that we consider it the duty of every D.D.G.M. to render whatever assistance he can in his own District.

This Grand Lodge is also pleased with the kindness and consideration which has been extended to the Grand Master during his term of office, knowing the many trying circumstances under which he was many times placed, and the very efficient manner in which he has discharged his duties during his term of

The reference to our worthy Grand Secretary needs no comment, as his general efficiency and willingness at all times to give his valuable assistance, not only to the Grand Master, but to every member of our Order, is well known to every member of this Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That the foregoing be adopted.

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Report No. 48-Rep. S. A. Popplestone, from Special Committee No. 8, made the following report, which was adopted: To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

We, your Special Committee No. 8, to whom was referred Clause 53, Grand Master's Report, and Clauses 20 and 21; Grand Secretary's Report, are sorry to learn that so many prominent and useful brethren have been stricken down by the "Grim Reaper," and extend to their relatives and friends our sympathy by the "Gring Reaper," and extend to their relatives and friends our sympathy by the "Gring of Empire". by the "Grim Reaper," and extend to their relatives and friends our sympathy in their bereavement. The sudden death of Bro. J. W. Grote, of Empire Lodge, St. Catharines, removed a prominent representative from this Grand Body. All who knew him respected him. Bro. A. C. Stewart was very suddenly taken from our midst. Every brother in Ontario regrets that so good an Odd Fellow has gone. We also extend our fraternal sympathy to Past Grand Master Hoyle, who grieves for a talented son; to Bro. R. H. Perry, Grand Conductor, in the loss of his father, an old and active Odd Fellow; and to Bro. Wm. Robinson, of Maitland Lodge, who mourns for a faithful and loving wife. We regret that Bro. W. A. Rawlings has been laid aside by illness, but we pray that so useful and worthy a brother may speedily recover and be enabled to resume his work in the Order again.

resume his work in the Order again.

Also, that the sympathy of this Grand Lodge be specially tendered to our Grand Master Young, who has had the "Angel of Death" visit his home, his beloved wife having been taken from him at the time there was resting on him the great responsibility of the Grand Mastership of Ontario's Grand Lodge. Our consolation is the assurance of our meeting again in the "Great Beyond."

Resolved, -That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted, S. A. POPPLESTONE.

Report No. 44-Rep. A. S. Popplestone, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0.F .:

Your Special Committee No. 8, to whom was referred Clause 13, Grand Secretary's Report, beg leave to state that the Toronto brethren deserve the congratulations of this Grand Lodge, in their having erected and unveiled in the gratuations of the grandest monuments in the Dominion to the memory of departed Odd Fellows. This colossal structure stands as a prominent mark displaying the liberality of Toronto brethren, and of their desire to keep in memory those with whom they have associated in fraternal friendship. Such manifestations of remembers the deceased will not go unconsided and it stands with tions of remembering the deceased will not go unrewarded, and it stands out as a bold, liberal example, which can be followed in many localities.

Resolved,-That the foregoing be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

S. A. POPPLESTONE.

Report No. 45-Rep. S. A. Popplestone, from the same Committee, made the following report, which was adopted:

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

Your Special Committee No. 8, to whom was referred "In Memoriam," pages 6822 to 6825 inclusive, beg leave to report, that in looking over the pages we find many names familiar to us as brethren who have been faithful workers in

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the Order, and who have engraved on the hearts of their brethren a love for them not easily erased. We extend the sympathy of this Grand Body to all who have mourned for lost brethren during the year. We also note that the number of deceased brethren is large, one hundred and fifty-four having died during the past year. It would be well for this Grand Body to take notice of this, as the loss is not on the decrease, but is gradually increasing, and it is our duty to make proper provision to meet all demands made on each lodge. Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

S. A. POPPLESTONE.

Report No. 46—Rep. H. Ullyott, from Special Committee No. 9, made the following report, which was adopted :-

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1.0.0.F .:

We, your Special Committee No. 9, beg leave to report as follows regarding Clause 26 of the Grand Secretary's Report:

1. That we are pleased with the large number of Veteran Jewels that have heen asked for and granted, and we believe that this custom is only one of the evidences of the stability of our beloved Order.

2. That we think that Grand Master Bro. J. A. Young is to be congratulated on the work he has done during the past year in the assistance he has given to

subordinate lodges.

3. That to our brethren across the border we desire to express our sympathy in the crisis through which they have just been passing on account of the present war, and we trust that in future, instead of war, Friendship, Love and Peace may reign throughout their land.

We would suggest that a copy of this report be sent to the several Grand

Lodges across the border.

Your Committee move the adoption of this report. All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. ULLYOTT.

Report No. 47-Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Sire, from the Special Committee on Odd Fellows' Home, presented the following report, which was unanimously adopted :-

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

The Grand Lodge, at its last session, having provided for a Board of Directors for the Odd Fellows' Home, the Grand Master called the members together for organization on the 7th December, 1897. The members of the Board were the following :

From the Grand Lodge—Grand Master Young, Deputy Grand Master Farewell, Grand Secretary King, Grand Treasurer McCormack, ex officio; Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire for three years; W. H. Hoyle, P.G.M. for two years; Henry White, P.G.M. for one year.

From the Grand Encampment-M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, and A. H.

Blackeby, P.G.P.

From the Rebekah Assembly-Mrs. Elizabeth Lee and Mrs. Laura E.

Ryan, Past Presidents.

The Board having been duly organized, elected the following officers: Chairman, Cl. T. Campbell; Vice-Chairman, Jas. A. Young; Secretary, J. B. King; Treasurer, W. J. McCormack.

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The business transacted at the initial meeting of the Board was mostly of a formal character connected with its organization, but the following, among other resolutions, were adopted: That the Board meet annually during the session of the Grand Lodge; that the Treasurer deposit all moneys in the Savings Branch of the Imperial Bank; that all moneys received from the Rebekah Assembly be held by the Board for the purposes of the Home, subject to the control of the Assembly; that no action at present be taken to secure a special act of incorporation, but that the Board be incorporated under the General Act, and

thus save expense.

The regular annual meeting was held Wednesday afternoon, August 11th, 1898, in the lodge room, Galt. The representatives from the Grand Encamples, in the lodge room, Galt. The representatives from the Grand Encample to the Home Board were reappointed by their ment and the Rebekah Assembly to the Home Board were responsed by their respective bodies. The officers elected for the ensuing year were: *Cl. T. Campbell, Chairman; J. R. Farswell, Vice. Chairman; J. B. King, Secretary; W. J. McCormack, Treasurer. Though the actual amount of cash to the credit of the Beach of the Secretary. W. J. McCormack, Treasurer. Though the actual amount of cash to the credit of the Board was not large, yet in view of the promises of contributions when required, and the growing interest in the establishment of the Home, it was felt that the time had arrived to ask the lodges to submit offers for a site. In one locality thirty acres of land have already been tendered; other localities have intimated that they are ready to submit offers as soon as the Board is prepared to receive them. As soon as these are received they will be carefully considered, and should any one of them prove acceptable, the Board will proceed with the organization of plans. with the preparation of plans.

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During the year your Special Committee, at the request of the Board, and with the approval of the Grand Master, issued an appeal to the lodges for aid to the proposed Home. While the response to this appeal has not been as liberal as we could have desired, yet the contributions forwarded show that in some localities the membership realizes the importance of the movement made, and the necessity for the establishment of a Home. The report of the Treasurer to the Board showed in his possession at date of report, \$726.05. The detailed list of subscribers appears in your Grand Treasurer's report, pages 6826-28.

In addition thereto are the following contributions from Rebekah lodges and other sources which the Assembly ordered to be paid over to the Treasurer:

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Also the Grand Lodge vote of \$1,000 last year, not yet formally transferred, making the cash assets of the Board practically \$2,324.43. There are also subscriptions which are due in whole or in part (most of which are given in the Grand Treasurer's Report, page 6828) aggregating about \$2,700. So that the assets of the Board may be roughly placed at \$5,000.

In this connection we refer with pleasure to the enthusiasm shown by the

Sisters of Rebekah, who in Ontario, as in every other jurisdiction, have been

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the most active supporters of this department of the work of Odd Fellowship. We are informed that it is their intention to utilize Rebekah Anniversary Day, the 20th of September, in making a special effort to increase our funds.

Your Committee desire to repeat the statement so often made, that the necessities of the Order in Ontario call for the speedy establishment of this Home. The information obtained and submitted last year, though from less than a third of the lodges in the jurisdiction, show that even in those lodges there were then 127 orphan children, of whom only 104 were being cared for by persons in any way related to them, and that the remainder, so far as our information went, were in charge of strangers and public charities, while there were eight aged members whose circumstances made them suitable beneficiaries for a Home. But these figures only give a small proportion of the actual number who would be found ready to enter a Home as soon as it might ready for their admission. The experience of other jurisdictions might be quoted, where it was found that while before the Home was opened only a few prospective inmates were known, the number was greatly increased as soon as accommodation was provided for them. No one need doubt for a moment that there are orphan children and aged Odd Fellows in Ontario sufficient to call for all the care and guardianship that the Order can provide. The Home once opened will have no lack of inmates. Our aged brethren and the orphans of our deceased brethren need our help. What are we doing for the distressed members of our great family? "He that provideth not for his own, hath denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel."

Our sister jurisdictions have awakened to a sense of their responsibilities in his matter, and are doing the work which so far we have failed to do. We have not been able to secure complete returns on this matter; but so far as we have been able to learn, we find that in twenty-five jurisdictions there are thirty-three Homes in active operation, while seven other jurisdictions are accumulating funds for the purpose. Of the thirty-three Homes, twenty-eight are valued at \$1,016.000, having excellent buildings and land to the extent of 1,400 acres. In ten of these Homes there 483 orphans and aged brethren; the number in the remaining thirteen is not reported. But even these incomplete returns give some idea of the magnificent work that is being accomplished in this department of Odd Fellowship. In Canada there is as yet no Home in operation; but the small jurisdiction of Manitoba, with only 3,000 members, has shown its enterprise by starting a fund, which has already reached \$1,500; and if the Brotherhood in Ontario does not bestir itself, the premier Odd Fellows' Home will be started in the far North-West.

It should not be forgotten that this work is in line with the commands of our law "to relieve the distressed," and "to educate the orphan." It is as imperative as our system of sick benefits. More than that—it is a necessary adjunct to our system. As our lodges grow older, the number of aged and infirm members, and the number of destitute orphans for whom some provision must be made will steadily increase. At any moment a lodge is liable to find itself with more of these beneficiaries on its hands than it can provide for, and it will be compelled to neglect them to the great scandal of the Order, or go into bankruptcy. It is only a wise precaution to make such arrangements now as will ensure proper care of these beneficiaries by the entire membership taking the burden on its shoulders through a properly equipped Home. Borne by all, the burden will be light; left to individual lodges, it may become crushing, unless they refuse to bear it. Many lodges have found the difficulty of bearing the burden of sick benefits, and especially of widows' benefits. Let us learn wisdom from this experience, and provide by wise co-operation for the care of the aged members and the orphan children.

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In this connection, your Committee would submit an interesting letter received by the Grand Secretary from Bro. A. W. Cameron, of Ottawa, who was an enthusiastic member of the first Special Committee appointed by the Grand Lodge, and who was one of the first advocates of a Home. While Bro. Cameron criticizes the Board of Directors rather severely for what he deems its lack of energy (a criticism which probably would not have been made had he realized how much unostentatious work has really been done), yet the sentiments expressed are so appropriate that we cheeffully place them on record, and ask for them your serious consideration. The letter is appended to our report.

Your Committee submit the following recommendations:

 That the action of the Odd Fellows' Home Board, in seeking incorporation under the general Act (instead of securing a special Act of Incorporation), be approved.

2. That all lodges and members of the Order are urged to render all possible aid in the establishment of the Home by such pecuniary contributions as they may be able to make, either directly from the lodge funds, or by collec-

tions, entertainments or otherwise.

3. That notice is hereby given that the Odd Fellows' Home Board will receive propositions from lodges, individuals, or municipalities for the location of the Home, and members of the Order and subordinate lodges are requested to make all possible efforts to secure offers of free site, buildings or money from localities desiring the Home.

4. That the sum of \$1,000 be appropriated by this Grand Lodge as its contribution for the year ending June 30, 1899, the same to be paid over to the Treasurer of the Home Board when, in the opinion of the Grand Master, the

funds of the Grand Lodge will allow.

CL. T. CAMPBELL. HENRY WHITE. W. H. HOYLE.

Re AN ODD FELLOWS' HOME

OTTAWA, 5th August, 1898.

J. B. King, Esq., Grand Secretary 1.0.0.F., Toronto:

MY DEAR GRAND SECRETARY:—I would like very much to know if the Committee re the Hore have received or considered any offers of a free site on which to erect a Home for the orphans of those we were once proud to call brothers. It appears to me that the Committee have been a grand success during the past year, so far as silence is concerned. It is true they held at least one meeting, elected officers, and sent out a circular to the lodges, but why not use, the Press of our Order and keep this question prominently before the membership? The Committee should use every endeavour to educate the membership to the necessity of a small assessment for one of the grandest and noblest schemes in which man or woman can engage. I have heard good but mistaken brothers suggest or assert that homes could be found for any of our departed brothers' children (who were in need), either in the city or the country. There are, without doubt, homes in which any of us might be willing to trust our children but they are few in number, for the great majority are open for children because they cannot only be useful but profitable. Look into any of our factories and you will see poor, weak, pale-faced children wearing out their lives for those who either will not or cannot give them proper attention. Thinking of that old covenant "Between thee and me and thy seed and my seed forever" should enlighten our mind for humanity's sake.

The spirit of Odd Fallowship would not suggest that we should find such work or such surroundings for the children of our departed brothers. When Odd Fellowship demands that we "Educate the orphan," it means and expects more than mere book learning or apprenticing the child to learn a trade and permit it to grow up with the nobler side of its nature stunted or smothered by contact with the world's selfishness. Let our Home be a manual training school, and while affording a practical education we would surround them with such influences as would develop within them all that constitutes noble manhood and and noble womanhood. A Home in every sense of the word, surrounded thus with everything that is true, with kind looks, gentle words, little tendernesses, and loving counsel, of such is the sacred name "Home," the magic circle within which the weary spirit finds rest. Our Order requires such a Home and our officers and leaders should give such attention to the question as would enable them to point out to our membership how the desired end may be accomplished. I do trust that at the ensuing session of Grand Lodge this question will receive the consideration its importance demands. I regret that through family reasons I will be unable to be present with you, but I shall watch with eagerness for any deliverance the Grand Lodge, in its wisdom, may make. With kindest regards,

Faithfully and Fraternally, A. W. CAMERON.

Report No. 48-Rep. N. Schnarr, from the Finance Committee, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted:

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

1. Your Committee on Finance would recommend that eleven hundred copies of the JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS of this session be printed and distributed in the usual way.

2. We also recommend the payment of expenses, \$9.70, incurred by Jos. Powley, special Deputy of the Grand Master, in connection with his visit to Lucan Lodge No. 70.

3. That all members specially appointed on committees be allowed the same mileage and per diem as representatives.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

N. SCHNARR.

Report No. 49-Rep. W. J. Cruickshank, from the Committee on Districts, presented the report of that Committee as printed and sent out to the lodges by direction of the Grand Lodge at its last session.

The Committee recommended several changes in the printed report, as requested by authorized representations from the interested lodges, and which were approved by the Grand Lodge.

[For list of Districts as finally adopted by the Grand Lodge, see list of Districts and District Deputies .- J. B. K.] To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, I.O.O.F. :

Your Special Committee appointed to prepare a report and submit the same to each Subordinate Lodge as to "what action is ind such hen Odd cts more and perlered by g school, ith such alood and ded thus ernesses, e within

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necessary to increase the utility and further usefulness of the District system" and "to consider the re-division of the jurisdiction into Districts," beg to report.

We have carefully considered the present arrangements of Districts with a view of a re-division and the reduction of expenses, and submit the following re-arrangement as included in the printed report:

1. Your Committee in the re-arrangement of the Districts had prepared a map that proved very useful in showing the boundaries, lines of railroads, etc., and think a copy of said map should be in the possession of every lodge in this jurisdiction, and that the matter be placed in the hands of the Committee on General Purposes, to report at next session of this Grand Lodge.

 Regarding the utility and further usefulness of the system, we find that while it is working successfully in many places, in some Districts it is only partly in use and in others entirely neglected.

3. We find the cause of this neglected condition to be due chiefly to the expense of holding meetings of the District Committees, while in some cases the indifference of the members and unfitness of the D.D.G.M. are largely responsible.

4. We also find that where the District System is fully maintained, the interest in the Order and the benefit to the lodges is so apparent that we would earnestly suggest that the District, in selecting the D.D.G.M., should keep in view the importance of the office and the welfare of the Lodges and Order generally.

5. To further increase the usefulness of the District System and bring it more in harmony with the legislation and requirements of the Grand Lodge and Order, we would suggest that Representatives to Grand Lodge be members of the District Committee, and would recommend that Clause 99, G.L. By-laws, be amend by inserting after the words "consist of" in the second line, the words "Representatives to Grand Lodge."

6. We are of the opinion that a much greater interest in the Order would be taken, and a better appreciation of the value of the District System gained, if nominations for the office of D.D.G.M. were made the year preceding the election, as the nominees would be stimulated to a more thorough preparation for the duties of the office and requirements of the District, and, to that end, would recommend that Clause 103, Grand Lodge By-laws, be amended by inserting after the words "ensuing year," in the fourth line of the second paragraph, the following:—

6a. "The nominations for District Deputy Grand Master shall take place at the Annual Session preceding that of the election.

6b. "The District Secretary shall transmit to each Past Grand nominated, a notice of his nomination on or before the first day of April following, requesting his acceptance or declination of said nomination on or before the 15th day of April. The District Secretary shall, not later than the first day of May, transmit to the several lodges in the District the names of all the nominees who have accepted the nominations."

7. We would also recommend that Clause 104, G.L. By-laws, be amended by striking out the word "shall" in the first line of the second paragraph, and inserting therefor the word "should," and

after the word "determine" insert the word "all."

8. In the third line of the same paragraph strike out the word

"thirty" and insert the word "sixty."

9. In the fourth line of said paragraph strike out the word "sixty" and insert "ninety," and after the word "thereafter" add "And in no case shall the District Committee be convened for the single purpose of hearing an appeal case which would incur expense to

either the appellant, respondent or the District."

10. The paragraph will then read as follows: They should hear and determine all appeals and grievances originating in any lodge in the District, provided that notice of appeal be sent to the lodge, whose action is appealed from, within sixty days after such action, and that it be filed with the D.D.G.M. within ninety days thereafter, and in no case shall the District Committee be convened for the single purpose of hearing an appeal case which would incur expense to either the appellant, respondent or the District.

The words in italics are the changes.

11. In Clause 105, G.L. By-law, third paragraph and second line, strike out the word "thirty" and insert therefore the word "sixty."

12. Amend Clause 109, G.L. By-Law, by striking out the words "whose Lodge is at a greater distance than five miles from the place of meeting of said 'District Committee'" and inserting after the word "both" in the fourth line, the words "said mileage rate not to exceed the necessary travelling expense incurred, or a per diem allowance not exceeding \$2.00, the expense of the D.D.G.M. in visiting lodges to be at the same rate."

13. We are of the opinion that the attention of the D.D.G.M's should be more frequently directed to Clause 35, G.L. By-laws, referring to their duties regarding the correct and uniform performance of the work of the Order, believing that an accurate knowledge of the unwritten work and a more careful inspection of the books by the D.D.G.M. would greatly tend to the advancement of

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15. We find that a great many D.D.G.M's have the impression that their sole duties consist in installing the officers. We are of the opinion that, if necessary, he might cause the same to be done by a competent officer, and defer his official visits until more suitable times for guiding and instructing the members in the general work of the Lodge.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. J. CRUICKSHANK, J. POWLEY, J. R. OLIVER.

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

On motion of Reps. R. N. Sheppard and W. H. Lowe, Clauses 6, 6a, 6b were struck out.

Clauses 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, as sent out to the lodges, were by consent of the Grand Lodge withdrawn.

Clauses 12, 13, 14, 15 were adopted. *

The Report, as amended, was adopted to read as follows:

I. Your Committee in the re-arrangement of the Districts had prepared a map that proved very useful in showing the boundaries, lines of railroads, etc., and think a copy of said map should be in the possession of every lodge in this jurisdiction, and that the matter be placed in the hands of the Committee on General Purposes, to report at next session of this Grand Lodge.

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4. We also find that where the District System is fully maintained, the interest in the Order and the benefit to the Lodges is so apparent that we would earnestly suggest that the District, in selecting the D.D.G.M., should keep in view the importance of the office and the welfare of the Lodges and Order generally.

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of the Lodge.

Report No. 50-Rep. J. B. McIntyre, P.G.M., from the Committee on State of the Order, made the following report, which was considered seriatim :

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

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred Clauses 1, 2,

4. 5. 10, 11, 16, 20, 21 and 47, Grand Master's Report, and Clauses 1, 2, 5, 8, 10 and 11, Grand Secretary's Report, beg leave to report as follows:

1. It is gratifying to know that the Grand Master has been able to present so satisfactory a report, showing the large sum of \$82,618 paid for relief during the year, and also that there has been such a marked increase in the membership in the same period.

2. The number of visits paid, the variety of work done and number of miles travelled, showed the devotion of our Grand Master and his faithfulness in the discharge of duty. These clauses show the necessity of more direct supervision of and assistance given to smaller lodges.

3. We approve of the Grand Master's action (Clause 4), and would urge every lodge to see they have sufficient insurance, and that they are kept in force

and clear as to the items covered.

4. Your Committee had a lengthy discussion on this clause, and their conclusion is that they heartily endorse the Grand Master's words, that the expense of Grand Lodge is too great, but cannot agree with the "one lodge, one vote" suggestion. We would recommend a change as follows: That each lodge should .G.M's ws, reerformknowof the ent of

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5. We approve of the Grand Master's action in submitting the matter of increasing the utility of the District system and of the re-division of the jurisdiction into Districts — Clause 11, Grand Master's Report — to one Committee, and as these are to be laid before Grand Lodge by that Committee, no doubt some definite action will be taken.

6. We endorse the Grand Master's action in issuing proclamations for the

observance of the anniversary of the Order and of Decoration Day.

7. We are pleased to know that the cases in dispute between certain members and their several lodges, also the Court of Appeals, are now satisfactorily settled. Referred to in Clauses 20 and 21, Grand Master's Report.

8. We approve of the action taken by Grand Secretary, and think the JOURNAL of PROCEEDINGS of last session was a very handsome and complete

Thanks from this Grand Lodge are due Bro. J. F. Grant, Secretary of Sovereign Grand Lodge, for sending a bound volume of their proceedings for the

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10 We would recommend that Grand Secretary be instructed to forward to Orient Lodge, Welland, the necessary supplies to enable them to continue the work of Odd Fellowship.

11. Your Committee believe that the Grand Lodge was fortunate in having the control of Bouley Danald Robertson to a brother of the experience and qualifications of Brother Donald Robertson to undertake the delicate and arduous duties or Chairman of By-laws in place of Bro. W. A. Rawlings, in his enforced absence by illness. Your Committee move the following:

Resolved, -That this report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted

I. P. McINTYRE.

Clauses 1, 2 and 3 were considered and adopted.

Clause 4 was, on motion, struck out.

Clauses 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 were severally considered and adopted.

The report as amended was adopted.

Report No. 51—Rep. Alf. Coyell, from the Committee on Districts, made the following report, which was considered seriatim and adopted by the required two-thirds majority.

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

Your Committee on Districts, to whom was referred Clauses 22, 42, 43 and

Your Committee on Districts, to whom was reierred Clauses 22, 42, 43 and 48 of the Grand Master's Report, beg to submit as follows:

1. Re Clause 22. Your Committee are of opinion that if the District Deputies would but do their duty, the present system, with necessary amendments from time to time, should and would meet all requirements.

2. Re Clause 42. Your Committee heartily concur with the views expressed in said clause in regard to the importance of the office of District Deputy Grand Master, and the assistance that a capable, zealous officer might render to the Grand Master and the Order. Grand Master and the Order.

3. Re the recommendation of Bothwell District No. 3. Your Committeedo not approve of said recommendation, but suggest the adoption of the recom-

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4. Re the recommendation of District No. 19 (page 6719). Your Committee heartily approve of Clause I, which reads:

Resolved,—That the Grand Lodge be urged to recognize the position of Past District Deputy Grand Master, and recommend its adoption.

5. Your Committee also heartily endorse Clause 2, which reads:

*Resolved**—That in the opinion of this Committee it is advisable that the

By-laws of Grand Lodge be amended, so that a quorum at a District Meeting shall be a majority of lodges represented, and recommend its adoption.

6. Re Clause 3. Vour Committee would respectfully request that this clause be referred to our Grand Representatives, viz.:

"Resolved,—That this Committee memorialize the Grand Lodge to instruct its Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge to secure such legislation from that body as will simplify the present cumbersome method of conducting the trial of a brother who may be charged with any offence against the laws of our Order which he may have been guilty of when not residing within the jurisdiction of his own Subordinate or Grand Lodge, or in other words to secure what is known in Civil Courts as a change of yenue, so that the trial may be held by a Subordinate Lodge in the jurisdiction where the offence occurs, at least to the extent of taking evidence and transmitting the same under seal to the Lodge of which the brother may be a member."

7. Re Clause 43. Your Committee regret that such negligence on the part

7. Re Clause 43. Your Committee regret that such negligence on the part of District Deputies should exist, and recommend that District Deputy Grand Master within two Masters be requested to make their reports to the Grand Master within two weeks from the date of the annual meeting of the District, which is held not later than the second Wednesday in June.

8. Re Clause 48. Your Committee not having been supplied with the information mentioned in said clause, have not been able to consider the

9. We would recommend that Clause 101, Grand Lodge By-laws, be-amended by striking out the words "Past Grands," and insert, "members of the Degree of Truth."

Resolved: - That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

ALFRED COYELL.

Report No. 52-Rep. Jno. Gibson, P.G.M., from the Committee on Degree of Rebekah, presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Grand Lodge of Ontario, I.O.O.F.: Your Committee on Rebekah Degree beg to submit the following: I. Resolved,—That charters be granted the following Rebekah Lodges: Lodge 57, Forest 58, Wallaceburg Carnation..... Primrose.... Dundas Triple Link ...

2. We are pleased to note that this branch of the Order is still rapidly forging ahead.

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3. Your Committee are sorry to learn that some of the Brothers are not giving that support to this branch of the Order which it really deserves.

Your Committee are of the opinion that the system of three different proposition papers or forms is expensive and unnecessary, and could be simplified by the combining of the three in one.

5. By some misunderstanding of the law by some of the Rebekah Lodges, they have been changing officers at the end of each semi-annual term (though meeting semi-monthly) instead of at the close of the annual terms, and therefore the Noble Grands of those lodges are not entitled to the honors of the office according to the Constitution. Therefore, the Assembly ask this Grand Lodge to cause the Grand Master or President of the Rebekah Assembly to issue a circular, giving these officers the honors of the office, they having filled, as they thought, the full term. And, further,

That the Grand Representatives be asked to bring this matter before the

Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Resolved:-That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. GIBSON, P.G.M.

The following notice was submitted:

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

I beg to give notice that at the next sitting of this Grand Lodge I will move that Clause 106 of Grand Lodge By-laws be amended by striking out the words "legally elected representatives," and inserting the words "lodges represented."

R. N. SHEPPARD.

Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire, moved the following:

Resolved,-That when this Grand Lodge adjourns, it does so to meet in the City of Toronto on the second Wednesday of August, 1899.

The following telegram was read:

KINGSTON, August 11th, 1898.

J. B. King, Grand Secretary, I.O.OF. :

Kingston would be pleased to have your next meeting of Grand Lodge held in Kingston. C. LIVINGSTON, Mayor.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution by Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire,

Rep. W. P. Carswell moved to amend by striking out the word "Toronto," and inserting the word "Cobourg," which was not agreed to.

Rep J. R. Donaldson moved to amend by striking out "Toronto," and inserting "Kingston," which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the resolution of Bro. Campbell, it was declared adopted.

The following, moved by Rep. Geo. M. Risch, seconded by Rep. N. Schnarr, was adopted:

Resolved,—Whereas, the Grand Lodge were unable to make arrangements with the C.P.R. for a reduced rate for Representatives to Grand Lodge west of Fort William; and whereas, the Representatives west of Fort William have to pay full fare both ways (6c. per mile) to Fort William. Therefore, he it Resolved,—That an extra three cents per mile be allowed for the mileage west of Fort William, thereby placing them on the same footing as the other representatives.

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It being 12 o'clock, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 1.30 p.m

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

GALT, AUGUST 11TH, 1898.

The Grand Lodge reassembled at 1.30 this afternoon pursuant to adjournment.

All the Grand Officers, excepting Grand Representative W. H. Hoyle, were present, and a majority of Representatives.

On motion of Rep. Jno. Ormiston, P.G.M., the reading of the minutes of last session was dispensed with.

The following, moved by Rep. R. N. Sheppard, seconded by Rep. W. A. Smith, was adopted:

Resolved, - That Grand Lodge By-law No. 106 be amended by striking out the words "legally elected representatives," and inserting the words, "lodges represented."

Rep. R. N. Sheppard submitted the following:

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

I beg to give notice that it will be moved to amend the Constitution of

I beg to give notice that it will be moved to amend the Constitution of Subordinates by inserting the following, viz.:

Clause 57. "In the case of a member, who, having changed his place of residence, or who, on account of the starting of a new lodge's shall find himself nearer to some other lodge in the jurisdiction than the one he is a member of, and who, having been granted a withdrawal card, shall apply for admission and be accepted in the lodge nearest to his residence, he shall be entitled to have paid by the lodge he is leaving, on account of the balance of his admission fee (that is his admission fee, less the proposition lee of \$2.00 already paid by him), or on account of this balance of his admission fee and his dues, an amount to be determined as follows:

L. When the lodge from which the member withdraws is more time and as

1. When the lodge from which the member withdraws is working under a system of graded initiation fees, the amount shall be one-half of that fee at the

age of the member at the time of his withdrawal, less the sum of \$2.00.

2. When the lodge from which the member withdraws is working under a system of level initiation fees at all ages, and dues graded, the amount shall be one-half of this general admission fee, with fifteen per cent. of this half added for each year the Brother has held membership in the lodge, less also the sum

Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., moved that Report No. 18 of the Finance Committee be reconsidered, which was agreed to.

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The question being on the adoption of the report, the following amendment thereto was adopted:

Resolved,—That the report be amended by striking out the figure "5," fixing the fee to the Press Reporter, and the figures "15" inserted."

The following letter from Rep. W. S. Johnston, re the publication of an Odd Fellows' new-paper, was read:

To the Grand Master and Members of the Grand Lodge, 1.0.0.F., in Grand Lodge Assembled:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHERS,—During the past year a large number of infiential members of the Order have endeavored to persuade me to undertake the publication of a live, up-to-date journal, representative of the various branches of Odd Fellowship in Canada.

Up till recently my reply has been that as an Odd Fellows' Journal, having the recognition of this Grand Lodge as its official organ, was published by a brother Oddfellow, I felt it my duty to decline to undertake or in any way engage in the publication of a journal which would undoubtedly have to assume the position of a possible rival for the favor and support of the various lodges and members of the Order in this jurisdiction.

Circumstances have, however, so changed recently, and the want of a good representative journal, so seriously felt by the membership, has been so forcibly pressed upon me, that I have decided to commence the publication, under certain conditions, of a monthly journal in the interests of Odd Fellowship, to be called "The Triple Links," or some other appropriate name agreeable to this Grand Lodge.

I have arrived at this decision only at the request and urgent solicitation of many brother Odd Fellows, members of this Grand Lodge and others, and with the hope that not only this Grand Lodge, but every Subordinate Lodge, and every Odd Fellow within the jurisdiction, will accord the journal that loyal and hearty support which I have confidence its good quality will merit, and that should be extended by all members who have the best interests and welfare of the Order, and the success of a journal universally and thoroughly representative of the Order, truly at heart.

I bring this matter before you from no selfish motive, but with a view to the better dissemination of the principles and teachings of Odd Fellowship and the advancement of the Order in all its branches. It is true such a journal cannot be maintained without the support and hearty co-operation of the lodges and members, and if these are promptly and liberally extended, I feel warranted in saying that a journal will be produced creditable to all and worthy of the confidence of the entire membership.

confidence of the entire membership.

While I have been persuaded to adopt the course herein stated, and to bring the matter before you in this manner, I desire to state that, keeping in view the interests of this Grand Lodge, and the Order in Ontario generally, it is my opinion that an official journal such as I have in view should be maintained and controlled by the Grand Lodge instead of any individual member, and that this Grand Lodge should at once establish such a journal, copies of which should be supplied to every member of the Order free. Were this course adopted, the advantages of the Order would no doubt be enhanced, and with a guaranteed circulation equal to our now large membership it is quite possible that in a short time the journal could be made self-sustaining, if not a source of revenue to the Grand Lodge. It is no small matter for any individual to assume

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the tremendous responsibility entailed in the publication of a journal under the the tremendous responsibility entailed in the publication of a journal under the auspices of so large and popular an organization. To an individual it means a considerable expenditure of money, time and energy, with the uncertainty of any possible revenue being equal to the expense of publication. If conducted by the Grand Lodge, success could be assured, while the expense of publication, even if no direct revenue were derived from it, would not be seriously felt by even the weekest lodge or the poorest member in this jurisdiction.

Should the Grand Lodge adopt this latter course, I promise it my most hearty and energetic support and assistance in any and every way at my command. Should you decide otherwise, then I ask the sanction of this Grand Lodge in my undertaking the publication, the only condition being that it be made the

Should you decide otherwise, then I ask the sanction of this Grand Looge in my undertaking the publication, the only condition being that it be made the official organ in the fullest sense of the term, and that the Grand Lodge, Sub-ordinate Lodges, the different branches of the Order and the membership generally give it their hearty moral and financial support in return for value received, my undertaking to forfeit any claim for such should the journal not prove up to a reasonable standard of worth and in a fair measure creditable to this Grand Lodge

and to the Order.

As I undertake to give value for every dollar invested, I would expect it to be made the medium of communication, as far as possible, between the Grand Lodge and Subordinate Lodges, that each Subordinate Lodge would insert a card commencing with the first issue, at a cost of, say \$3.00 per annum in advance, that each lodge secure a volunteer agent or correspondent, and that the membership show their interest and appreciation by giving the journal as hearty and liberal a support as within their means and power.

I am, dear Sir and Brothers,
Faithfully yours.

Faithfully yours,

W. S. JOHNSTON.

The following, moved by Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire, seconded by Rep. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., was adopted:

Resolved,—That while this Grand Lodge recognizes the benefits that the Order may derive from Odd Fellow publications, and desires the encouragement by the membership of the province of any journals devoted to the interests of the Order, yet it does not deem it expedient to commit itself to the patre nage of any prospective publication, nor to go into the publishing itself.

The following, moved by Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, P.G. Sire, seconded by Rep. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., was unanimously adopted:

Resolved,-That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to His Wor-Resolved,—That the manks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to His Worship the Mayor and Clvic Council, and the citizens in general of Galt, to Waterloo Lodge No. 107, Galt Encampment No. 6, Ivy Rebekah Lodge No. 26, and to Bro, W. D. Card, Chairman of the Reception Committee, for the cordial hospitality so freely and generously provided to the members of this Grand Lodge during the present session. And be it further Ristoved,—That the Grand Secretary transmit the same to all bodies and individuals indicated in the above resolution.

Rep. Thos. E. McDougall, of Crescent Lodge No. 104, gave notice that at the next session of this Grand Lodge it will be moved to amend Section 15, Constitution of the Grand Lodge, viz. :

Strike out the word "annually" in the first line thereof, and substitute " biennially " therefor.

On motion of Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., seconded by Bro. Geo. Geddes, Grand Marshal, the following was unanimously and heartily adopted:

Resolved,-That the sincere thanks of this Grand Lodge be and are hereby tendered to the retiring Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, for his indefatigable zeal in the cause of Odd Fellowship during the past year, and for his able and impartial conduct of Grand Lodge business during this session.

The resolution was declared adopted, and the thanks expressed to Bro. Young by the Deputy Grand Master, Bro. J. E. Farewell, and feelingly responded to by Bro. Young.

The following letters from the Rebekah Assembly were laid upon the Grand Secretary's desk, but no action seems to have been taken on them by the Grand Lodge:

GALT, ONT., Aug. 9th, 1898.

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

The Rebekah Assembly of Ontario in session. It was moved by Sister Olive M. Pattison, seconded by Sister Nettie Munce, and

Resolved,-That this Assembly ask the Grand Lodge of Ontario to amend Clause 32 of the Constitution of Rebekah Lodges, so that Rebekah Lodges may elect officers semi-annually and hold semi-monthly meetings. Also

That Clause 6, Rebekah Constitution, be amended by inserting the word "Warden" after the word "Vice-President."

MAGGIE WADDELL, Secretary.

GALT, Aug. 10th, 1898.

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

From the Committee on Judiciary, Sister Hattie Eddie in the chair. Believing that the Rebekahs are best informed as to what legislation is needed and desired, and should therefore be permitted to be heard before questions affecting their existence are determined upon, therefore, we recommend that this Assembly petition the Sovereign Grand Lodge, through its representatives of this jurisdiction, to set apart a portion of each annual session for the consideration of Rebekah legislation, at which time such representatives as it may deem proper to admit from the several State Assemblies may be permitted

to be present and take part on the floor of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. MAGGIE WADDELL, Secretary.

GALT, ONT., August 10th, 1898.

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

Moved by Sister M. A. Pearce, seconded by E. Seels: Resolved,-That in the opinion of this Assembly the present system of three different proposition forms for use in Rebekah Lodges is cumbersome, expensive and unnecessary, and could be simplified by the use of one combining the three

Resolved,-That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Grand Lodge, now in session, asking that they give the matter their consideration, and, if ado

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Lodge, and, if practical, to provide a form or empower this Assembly to issue a form in compliance with our wishes.

Forms submitted. See JOURNAL OF GRAND LODGE PROCEEDINGS for 1897, Appendix, page xci. and page xcii.

MAGGIE WADDELL, Secretary.

GALT, ONT., Aug. 10th, 1898.

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

Moved by Sister Ada Robins, seconded by Sister Sarah Swartman, and adopted:

Resolved,—That application be made by this Assembly to the Grand Lodge of Ontario, to confer the rank of their Rebekah Lodge officers on those officers who served a shorter term than the law allowed, but who acted in good faith on by-laws regularly adopted and reported to the Assembly by the representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

MAGGIE WADDELL, Secretary.

Nominations for Grand Officers were now called for.

GRAND MASTER.

Rep. R. K. Cowan nominated Bro. Jas. McLurg, of Woodstock Lodge, No. 269, Woodstock.

DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

Rep. A. Macoomb nominated Bro. O. L. Lewis, of Chatham Lodge, No. 29, Chatham.

GRAND WARDEN.

Rep. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., nominated Bro. C. C. Lyman, of Brock Lodge, No. 9, Brockville.

Rep. Allan McFee nominated Bro. A. L. Geen, of Belleville Lodge, No. 81, Belleville.

Rep. J. A. Logan nominated Bro. R. K. Cowan, of Dominion Lodge, No. 48, London.

Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., nominated Bro. Wm. Amor, of Unity Lodge, No. 47, Hamilton.

Kep J. B. McIntyre, P.G.M., nominated Bro Alf. Coyell, of Canada Lodge, No. 49, Toronto.

Rep. D. B. Brown nominated Bro. J. H. Bustin, of Nipissing Lodge, No. 79, Uxbridge.

Rep R. A. Hawes nominated Bro. Alex. McFarlane, of Tecumseh Lodge, No. 182, Otterville.

Rep. Jno. B. Manson nominated Bro. F. H. Gisborne, of Carleton Lodge, No. 240, Ottawa.

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Rep. H. Vancamp nominated Bro. W. S. Johnston, of Central Lodge, No. 322, Toronto.

Rep. McRitchie nominated Bro, Isaac Unsworth, of Florence Lodge, No. 196, Florence

Rep. J. F. Brown nominated Bro. George Geddes, of Otter Lodge, No. 50, Tilsonburg.

Rep. James Boyd nominated Bro. R. Ronan, of Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, Ottawa.

Rep. D. Munro nominated Bro. Hy. Rowland, of Samaritan Lodge, No. 35, Ingersoll.

Rep. Walker nominated Bro. D. B. Brown, of Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 257, Orangeville.

Rep. W. P. Carswell nominated Bro. W. J. Hamilton, of Cobourg Lodge, No. 146.

Rep. Amos Tipling nominated Bro. J. A. Morton, of Maitland Lodge, No. 119, Wingham.

Rep. R. F. Morrow nominated Bro. W. H. Givens, of Millbrook Lodge, No. 308, Millbrook.

Rep. W. J. Clark nominated Bro. J. B. Turner, of crescent Lodge, No. 104, Hamilton.

Rep. Hy. Schofield nominated Rev. Bro. W. J. Sanders, of Beaverton Lodge, No. 249, Beaverton.

Rep. Louis Smith nominated Bro. W. H. Ryall, of Leamington Lodge, No. 140, Leamington.

Rep A. Camichael nominated Bro. R. F. Morrow, of Peterboro' Lodge, No. 111, Peterborough.

Brothers J. H. Bustin and R. F. Morrow declined the nomination.

GRAND SECRETARY.

Rep. S. M. Thomson nominated Bro. J. B. King, P.G. Secretary, of Gore Lodge, No. 34, Brantford.

GRAND TREASURER.

Rep. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., nominated Bro. W. J. McCormack, P.G. Treasurer, of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, Toronto.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.

Rep. A. E. Harley nominated Bro. Thos Woodyatt, P.G.M., or Gore Lodge, No. 34, Brantford.

Rep. R. H. Perry nominated Bro. J. A. Young, P.G.M., of Thamesford Lodge, No. 258, Thamesford.

Rep. W. H. Lowe nominated Bro. J. B. McIntyre, P.G.M., of Union Lodge, No. 16, St. Catharines.

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Rep. A. D. Ellis nominated Bro. Joseph Oliver, P.G.M., of Queen City Lodge, No. 56, Toronto.

Rep. S. Rugg nominated Bro. J. T. Hornibrook, P.G.M., of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, Toronto.
Bro. Jos. Oliver, P.G.M., nominated Bro. W. H. Cole, P.G.M., of Brock Lodge, No. 9, Brockville.

Bros J. T. Hornibrook, P.G M., and W. H. Cole, P.G.M., declined the nomination.

The Installation of Officers was then proceeded with.

By request of the chair, Past Grand Masters J. T. Hornibrook and J. B. McIntyre presented Bro. J. E. Farewell, Grand Masterelect, who was obligated and installed Grand Master.

Bro. J. A. Young thereupon took his seat as Junior Past Grand Master.

The Grand Master, Bro. J. E. Farewell, then proceeded to instal the remaining Grand Officers.

By request, Past Grand Masters J. A. Young and W. H. Cole presented Bro. Jas. McLurg, Deputy Grand Master-elect, who was duly obligated and installed Deputy Grand Master.

By request, Past Grand Masters W. H. Cole and J. T. Hornfbrook presented Bro. O. L. Lewis, Grand Warden-elect, who was duly obligated and installed Grand Warden.

By request, Bro. J. A. Young, Past Grand Master, and Rep. Isaac Unsworth presented Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary, who was obligated and installed Grand Secretary, it being his thirtysecond consecutive installation.

The installation of the Grand Treasurer, Bro. W. J. McCormack, was deferred, to be performed by the Grand Master, that officer being engaged in official duties elsewhere.

The Grand Master announced the following appointments, viz.: Bro. W. H. Ryall, Learnington Lodge No. 140 ... Grand Marshal Bro. Alf. Coyell, Canada Lodge No. 49..... Grand Conductor Bro. J. E. Ryan, Amity 80..... Grand Guardian Bro. W. A. Pringle, Mizpah " 127 Grand Herald Rev. Bro. J. W. Leggott, Beethoven Lodge No. 165. Grand Chaplain

The Grand Master appointed the following District Deputy Grand Masters for the coming year, viz. :

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LIST OF DISTRICTS.

DISTRICTS.	Lodges,	No.	LOCATION.	NIGHT OF MEETING.		NAME AND P.O. ADDRESS OF D.D.G.M.
Essex, No. 1.	Enterprise Woodslee	45 82 140 142 218 220 298	South Woodslee	Tuesday Thursday Friday Thursday Wednesday	32	W. H. Ryall, Leamington.
Kent, No. 2.	Chatham	40 93 120 124		Friday Monday Friday Monday	191 152 91 155 113	Albion Heath Chatham
Bothw'll, No. 3.	Mt. Zion	74 133 144 157 196 208	Bothwell Glencoe Ridgetown Thamsville Florence Alvinston	Tuesday Wednesday Thursday. Monday Friday	35 26 51 95 63 83 41 46	A. Fennell, Bothwell.
Elgin, No. 4.	Elgin Hope St. Thomas Aylmer Glanworth Crampton Shedden.	76 5 94 6 289 6	St. Thomas Aylmer Glanworth Crampton	Saturday Thursday Tuesday	226 101 1336 148 35 58 29	J. Campbell, Harrietsville.
Otter, No. 5.	Erie	50 1 85 1 152 1	Otterville	Monday Tuesday Friday	8 78 40 61 70	H. W. Eggman, Norwich.

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Long Point, No. 6.	Jarvis Norlolk Equity Waterford	191 225 232 235	Simcoe. Jarvis. Port Dover. Hagersville. Waterford. Caledonia	Friday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday 1 & 3 Friday	62 35 68 12 91 18	H. Johnson, Simcoe.
Welland, S	Emerald Beacon	173	Welland Dunnville Port Colborne, Internat'l Brd'g.	Tuesday Wednesday	25 57 87 181	J. Cook, Pt. Colborne.
Niagara, No. 8.	Union Niagara Falls Empire Cataract Livingstone Freestone Electric City	53 87 103 130 215	St. Catherines Niagara Falls St. Catharines Niagara Falls Thorold Beamsville Chippewa	Monday Tuesday Thursday Thursday Fuesday Monday Monday		D. M. Walker St. Catharines
Hamil- ton, No. 9.	Excelsior Unity Victoria Crescent Valley City Ancaster Oak Leaf Wellington Sqr. Minerva	47 64 104 117 138 159 178	Hamilton Hamilton Hamilton Hamilton Dundss Ancaster Hamilton Burlington Hamilton	Thursday Wednesday Alt. Tues Friday Thursday Monday Alt. Tues Alt. Mon Alt. Wed	337 64	Jno. E. Davis, Dundas.
Brant, No. 10.		91 115 174	Brantford Paris Brantford Ayr Lynden	Thursday Tuesday Tuesday	96	W. E. Gammon, Ayr.

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Oxford, No. 11.	Thamesford Woodstock	77 88 229 258 269	Ingersoll Ingersoll Woodstock Embro Chamesford Woodstock Plattsvil.e. Princeton	Monday Monday Tuesday Thursday Friday	51 127	Geo. M. Hamilton, Thamesford
London, No. 12.	Eureka Forest City Dominion Howard Chorazin Egremont Lilly Mount Brydges. Ilderton	38 48 58 190 207 211 217	London	Wednesday Monday Friday Monday	105	W. G. Willis, London East,
Middle- sex, No. 13.	Ivy	108 121 151	orest	Monday Wednesday Tuesday	57 75 40 54 15 27	- Joseph Cairns Camlachie.
t. Clair,	Friendship St. Clair Sarnia Model Ridgely Jambton	126 S 147 V 250 C	oint Edward arnia Vyoming Dil Springs	Thursday Tuesday I Alt. Mon Monday	18 78 33 43 51 64 43	J. J. Matthews, Petrolea.
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Perth, No. 16.	St. Marys	96 153 164 202	St. Marys Stratford New Hamburg. Granton Stratford Milverton Millbank	Wednesday Thursday	48	A. Frame, P.O. Box 14 Stratford
Royal Gity, No. 17.	Fergus	89 97 107 158 184 188 216 231 321	Fergus	Tuesday Monday Friday Monday Thursday Thursday Wednesday Wednesday Thursday Uesday Wednesday	100 263 117 119 35 37 60 35	Henry Clark Elora
	Milton	101 109 122 132		Tuesday Thursday Monday Friday Monday 2 & 4 Mon.	17 31 44 34 9 58	J. C. Ford, Oakville.
Foronto, No. 19.	Weston Prince of Wales Wilton Floral East Toronto Lakeview Prospect	52 56 71 110 116 194 200 230 242 252 263 272 294 314	Toronto Toronto Parkdale East Toronto W.Toronto Jet'n Toronto Toronto	Monday t & 4 Tues. Friday Monday	164 211 82 109 47 160 30 70 106 83 67 68 129 140	W. C. Macdonald, 7 Phoebe St., Toronto.

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North York, No. 20.	Barrie Aurora Pyramid	. 148	Barrie Aurora Newmarket	. Tuesday.	88 79 20	J. Ashton, Aurora.
Dufferin, No. 21.	Grand Valley Credit	256 257	Orangeville Hillsburg Grand Valley. Erin Shelburne	Friday Friday Alt Tues	39 27 32 32 41	Jas. Walker, Erin.
Harriston, No. 22.	Listowel Grey Britannia Çlifford	160 169 198 214	Listowel Durham Drayton	Tuesday Tuesday Monday Wednesday Thursday	54 65 70 27 44 70 68	J. R. Scott, Clifford,
Wing- ham, No. 23.	Maitland Western Star	149 177 183	Brussels Wroxeter Teeswater	Thursday	68 81 15 17 9	Geo. Paulin, Wroxeter.
Jucknow, No. 24.	Lucknow Penetangore Silver City Ripley Bervie Underwood	172 206 287 318	Kincardine Fiverton Ripley Bervie	Tuesday Friday Monday Thursday	100 155 72 71 34 27	Peter McPherson, Tiverton.
Walker- ton, ' No. 25.	Walkerton Denovo Ahiram Southampton	170 I 205 I	Paislev	Monday Tuesday I	11	R. Lee, Walkerton.

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Sauble, Sauble, No. 26.	Sauble Hanover	227	Chesley Tara Hanover Wiarton	Friday Wednesday	53 60 13 40	F. A. Thomas
Owen Sound, No. 27.	Owen Sound Dufferin Saugeen	186	Flesherton	Thursday Tuesday Friday	77 27 23	A. E. I Malone, Owen Sound.
Georgian Bay, No. 28.	Thornbury	68 243	Collingwood Stayner Thornbury Meaford	Thursday	139 26 29 73	D. Williams, Collingwood.
Orillia, No. 29.	Georgian Bay Midland Geneva	274	Midland	Friday	93 33 35	J. D. Knox, Orillia.
Parry Sound, No. 30.	Parry Sound	189	Parry Sound.	Monday	77	T. A. Clark, Parry Sound.
Muskoka, { No. 31.	Bracebridge Fairy	251 275	Bracebridge Huntsville	Monday Monday	59 32	Moses J. Dickie, Bracebridge.
Sutton, No. 32. {	Sutton	168	Sutton	1 & 3 Mon.	28	Geo. V. Crocker, Sutton.
Ontario, No. 33.	Phœnix Corinthian Flo, Nightingale Eastern Star Warriner Brougham Beethoven Ontario	61 66 72 75 155 165	Whitby Port Perry	Thursday Wednesday Tuesday Monday Thursday Friday	112 253 148 77 60 18 39 42	Robt. Adair, Bowmanville.

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Victoria, No. 34.	Manilla	. 105 . 129 . 135 . 195 . 249	Uxbridge Lindsay Manilla Sunderland Cannington Woodville Beaverton Bobcaygeon Little Britain	Monday Monday Monday Thursday Tuesday Monday	56 109 35 25 51 - 49 41 42	Robt. Chambers, Lindsay.
	Durham Cobourg Millbrook				121 102 77	A. A. Smith, Millbrook.
boro', No. 36.	Otonabee Peterboro' Norwood Royal Pontypool	262	Norwood	Tuesday	123 212 24 57 48	W. T. Curtis, Havelock.
	Stirling Campbellford Hastings				67 38	T. G. Gillespie, Campbellford
No 20 11	Madoc Γweed Γhomasburg	200 7	weed	Tuesday	00 53 61	S. B. Rollins, Tweed.
Bay of Quinte, No. 39.	Mizpah	86 N 102 I 113 T 127 E 143 F	Vapanee Deseronto Frenton Belleville Picton	Wednesday	86 88 60 35 21	W. B. Cooper, Belleville.
Cingst'n, No. 40,	ataraquiingstonananoquecornucopiaansdownefayflowerthena	59 K 114 G 299 M 270 L	ananoque IcLaren's Dep.	Friday 2 Monday 2 Wednesday Tuesday.	93 20 72 69	J. Laturney, Kingston.

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St. Law- rence, No. 41.	Farmersville Rideau Mallorytown Delta Balmoral Lyn	137 237 241 245 265 280 284	Mallorytown Delta Merrickville	Tuesday Thursday Wednesday Monday Wednesday Tuesday Monday Wednesday Thursday	125 21 168 48 28 61 27	D. S. Clow, Mallorytown.
Eastern, No. 42.	Aberdeen Fellowship	145 163 302 303	Iroquois Cornwall	2 & 4 Tues.	238 65 89 27 39 70	W.J.Ransom, Dickenson's Landing.
Kempt- ville, No. 43.	Grenville Morewood Chesterville Mountain	288	Chesterville	Friday	75 20 30	C. G. Edgar Baker, Mountain.
Ottawa, No. 44.	Ottawa Carleton Rockliffe Earnscliffe Manotick	240 278 283	Ottawa	Thursday Tuesday Wednesday	182 170	W. W. McCormick, c/o E. B. Eddy Co., Ottawa.
Lanark, No. 45.	StellaAlphaFraternityStanley	154 264	Almonte	Monday	101 109 64 29	J. H. Symington, Almonte.
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North Bay, No. 48.	orth Bay	271	North Bay	Tuesday	87	Frank S. Harrison, North Bay.
Sudbury, Su No. 49.	dburyebbwood	28 319	Sudbury Webbwood	Alt. Wed Friday	69 45	B. J. Bothwell Webbwood.
Sault Ste. Marie, No. 50.	thur	281	Sault Ste. Marie	Thursday	70	Wm. Brown, Sault Ste. Marie.
Chapleau, { No. 51. {	ssafiable	266	Chapleau	Fuesday	53	R. V. Nicholson, Chapleau.
Thunder Bay, No. 52.	t Arthur	67 E	Port Arthur Port William		59 67	H.B. Dawson, Port Arthur.
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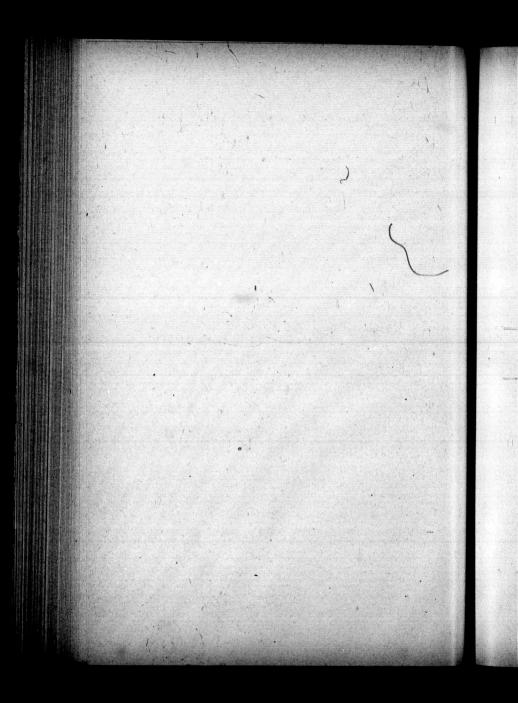
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The Grand Masten Bro. J. E. Farewell, then, in an earnest speech, expressed his thanks for the confidence reposed in him, and outlined his course of action for the coming year, and asked for the cordial and hearty support of every member of the Order to make the present a record year. Other Grand Officers made earnest addresses, full of hope and promise.

The business of the session being completed, the Grand Chaplain offered a fervent prayer; whereupon the Deputy Grand Master, by desire of the Grand Master, declared the forty-fourth session of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, adjourned sine die.



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APPENDIX

ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

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ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

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No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Initiated	Admitted by	card.	Keinstated.	Suspended for cause.	Suspended for N.P.D.	Withdrawn.		Expelled.	Died.	last Report.	Present member-
156678899001123334 156677777777777777777777777777777777777	Balmoral Arthur Sudbury Earnscliffe Barnscliffe Barnscliffe Barnscliffe Morewood Royal Ripley Chesterville Glanworth Tweed Rodney Minnetonka Thomasburg Broadview Manotick Fontypool Cornber Cornber Cornber Cornber Cornber Star Valentine Aberdeen Fellowship Star Valentine Athena Princeton Millbrook Millbrook Star Valentine Athena Spirit Rock Electric City Prospect Mountain Britain Lauventian Riverside Alvinston Norfolk Bervie Gervie G	1 6 3 2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 3 3 3 3 2 2 1 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 3 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 1 2 1 1 2 1 1 2 2 2 3 2 3	2 1 1 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3 3	1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1		3 3 3 1 2 1 2 1 3 3 3 3 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1	1	1 1 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4 4	635 637 771 721 441 637 721 721 721 721 721 721 721 721 721 72	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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Number of Brothers Sick.	Number of Weeks' Sickness.	Amount paid for Sick Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widows and Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Deceased Brothers.	Paid for Special Relief and Do- nations.	Paid for Nursing Sick Brothers.	Paid to Lodge Surgeon.	TOTAL BENE- FITS AND RELIEF.
2 15 1 5	30-5 65-4 5 17-3	\$ c 90 29 219 75 20 00 52 75	\$ c	\$ c 47 50	\$ 0			\$ c 137 79 219 75 35 08 72 75
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3 1 5 4 12	12 3 9 8-2 28	36 00 9 00 27 00 33 70 141 25			6 40	5 00	6 00 92 13	42 40 9 00 27 00 44 70 295 35
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	/	5.	E	XPENDITU	RE.	7-7-0-9
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Working Ex- penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expenditure,	Total Expenditure.
9 10 13 16 22 28 30 32 33 34 41 44 45 46 47 48 49 55 55 55 56 57 57 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58 58	Brock Cataragui Ottonahue Union Phoenix Rose Chatham Bureka Elgin Erie Gore Samaritan St. Mary's Forest City Rond Eau Down House Bureka Elgin Erie Gore Samaritan St. Mary's Forest City Rond Eau Down House Born House Born House Bissel Covenant Niagara Falls Collingwood Fidelity Queen City Maple Leaf Roward House House Bissel Covenant Niagara Falls Collingwood Fidelity Jone House House Bissel Covenant Niagara Falls Collingwood Fidelity Jone House Bissel Covenant Niagara Fidelity Jone Bissel Covenant Niagara House Jone Bissel Covenant House Jone Bissel Jone Bis	274 05 107 66	\$ c 42 50 22 50	\$ c 70 00	\$ c 126 85 99 05 125 41	\$ 1 C 5 541 7: 6 541
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	RECE	IPTS OF LOD	GES.		1
Initiations, Admissions by Cards and Degrees.	Does and Reinstancents.	Rent, Interest and Dividends.	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.	No. of Lodge.
\$ 20 00 230 00 230 00 140 00 110 00 110 00 225 50 1116 00 24 50 29 00 211 00 24 50 115 00 29 00 31 10 11 00 11 00 11 00 11 00 12 00 12 00 13 00 14 00 15 00 16 00 17 50 17 50 18 00	\$ c 202 95 95 971 70 404 90 44 90 90 30 30 95 92 244 97 388 98 92 244 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97 97	\$ c 2 21 81 221 81 222 81 223 81 225 30 433 225 44 18 112 00 206 00 177 000 8 5 53 8 492 30 227 15 20 227 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10 10	\$ 5 9 9 70 35 128 41 00 129 00 120 00	\$ 0.00 06 1388 00 1388 00 1388 00 1388 00 1388 00 1388 00 1389 94 1208 80 969 94 570 00 1089 10 2312 95 24 00 2312 95 24 116 26	910133612222390322333345366444747848949050553333455666757777788777777881882388485

Total Expendi-

ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS,

	EXPENDITURE.									
NAME OF LODGE.	Working Ex- penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expendi- ture.	Total Expendi- ture.					
86 Napanee 87 Empire 887 Empire 888 Reliance 90 Olive Branch 889 Reliance 90 Ivy 91 Valley 60 Royal 91 Valley 61 Stellar 91 Valley 61 Naomby 61	114 141 14 141 14 141 14 141 14 141 15 141 15 15 181 16 18 182 17 17 119 17 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18 18	31 00 21 10 11 50 27 50 5 00 10 56	1250 00 3 11 2100 00 75 00 4802 00 200 00 807 50 287 25 414 49	\$ c 6 00 30 00 50 59 24 56 11 12 34 47 	\$ 488 468 468 469 469 469 469 469 469 469 469 469 469					

Total Expenditure.

TERM ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1898.-Continued.

	RECE	IPTS OF LOD	1		
Initiations, Ad- unissions by Card and De- grees.	Dues and Reinstatements.	Rent, Interest and Dividends.	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.	
\$ c 178 00 66 00 42 00 79 00 12 00 6 00	\$ c 90 389 50 389 40 389 40 3616 21 179 50 322 34 29 171 251 962 423 362 423 362 423 362 425 50 103 75 828 00 103 75 262 75 828 00 103 75 263 61 104 75 264 61 104 75 265 61 105 82 2119 29 219	\$ c 178 68 64 25 114 56 153 94 156 00	\$ c 106 50 32 05 2 45 88 00 102 00 195 85 1 00 23 75 23 92 1 00 19 50 28 00 32 55	\$ c 520 40 646 23 472 95 797 77 447 44 680 19	
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35 00 104 00	183 00 292 75 64 00 245 50 125 76 828 00 103 75 252 24 726 70 205 50 134 35 267 35 264 61 209 82 219 29 252 70		1 95 74 20 4 10	292 75 266 21 990 81 103 75	
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109 50 128 80 82 00 33 00 12 00 40 00 63 85 83 40	260 17 145 97 168 97 369 46 293 50 186 56 128 50 229 63 142 00	21 62 4 00 18 97 22 20 161 90 36 25 72 10 42 00	5 70 30 6 30 16 57 7 25	79 42 438 04 301 00 147 41 100 65 159 00 278 85 497 58 202 40 260 17 282 79 476 73 365 87 365 88 208 40	

ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS,

		EXPENDIT	JRE.	
NAME OF LODGE	Working Ex-	Paid for Furniture and Regalia. Invested.	Other Expenditure.	Total Expenditure.
151 Sycamore Hayden 152 Hayden 153 Wildey Alpha 154 Hayden 155 Wildey 156 Porgress 156 Porgre	53 59 50 93 234 16 25 08 87 00 62 55	\$ c \$ c \$ c \$ c \$ 30 11 850 00 10 50	\$ c 4 50 25 19 85 60 1 85 47 09	\$ c 157 45 1023 33 144 12 586 26 67 88 138 85 416 94
Tecumseh	239 41 45 53 69 62 18 18 41 73 62 07 139 05 116 86 71 10 14 93 114 30	8 50 1000 00 14 80	1 40 36 05 4 20 4 50 46 60 11 40 6 00 126 45	1865 56 231 58 212 12 27 68 41 73 170 67 291 01 497 19 313 04 197 68 608 75
S Cumbridge S Cambridge Pary Sound Chorazin Chor	30 65 111 25 167 03 31 22 50 30 11 114 80 40 77 72 47 77 24 49 75 60 100 60 25 000 114 93 27 100 44 27 10 43 71 16 65 91 88 129 05 4 26 44	8 08	91 43 52 50 94 70 16 96 15 00 39 95 208 50 70 51 3 70 50 20 50 70 50 70 60 70 60 70 60 70 60 7	146 99 89 26 89 89 26 87 120 69 89 120 69 89 120 69 89 120 69 89 124 67 89 124 64 87 89 124 64 87 89 124 64 87 89 126 88 88 156 45 87 88 37 8 37

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Initiations, Ad. mission by Cards and De- grees.	Dues and Rein- statements.	Rent, Interest and Dividends.	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.
\$ c 2 00 40 00	\$ c 134 22 167 33 178 85 426 11 66 00 31 50 170 60 346 25 195 75 233 67 190 05 275 81 517 07 116 00 50 60 60 50 67 50 125 25	103 75 30 00 10 11 103 75 30 00 116 10 114 50 18 70 17 342	\$ c 229 14	\$ 0 C 480 22 218 14 313 63 554 65 66 88 151 25 299 15 74 45 0 233 67 2355 95 353 91 885 35 116 60 57 00 163 85 108 00
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Total Expendi-

ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

	EXPENDITURE.				
NAME OF LOD	Working penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expenditure.	Total Expenditure.
9 Georgian Bay 0 Woodslee 1 Chesley 3 Hensal 4 Ottawa 5 Merlin 5 Merlin 5 Merlin 5 Merlin 6 Merlin 6 Merlin 6 Merlin 6 Merlin 6 Merlin 7 Merlin 6 Merlin 7 Merlin 7 Merlin 8 Merlin 8 Merlin 8 Merlin 8 Merlin 8 Merlin 9 Merlin 9 Merlin 9 Merlin 1 Merlin	\$ 130 m 9 2		\$ c 150 00 150 00 100 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 0	\$ c 44 3 3 00 3 00 114 49 7 22 29 00 7 90 6 00 7 50 10 25 3 3 00 36 35 70 39 48 17 2 25 89 96 40	\$ 254 424 224 224 224 224 224 224 224 224
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Sheard	47 50 339 08 53 12	10 00 34 10 4 75	250 00 452 00	11 20 63 00	391 50 610 86 605 87

Total Expendi-

TERM ENDING 30TH JUNE, 1897 .- Continued.

	REC	EIPTS OF LOI	OGES.		1
Initiations, Admission by Cards and Degrees.	Dues and Reinstatements.	Rent, Interest	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.	No. of Lodge
\$ c 8 0 40 89 00 445 00 445 00 78 00	96 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50	\$ co	\$ 13 56 38 77 45 90 1 20 90 19 20 79 20 79 20 79 20 79 20 79 20 70 20 80		212 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22 22
27 00 149 00 10 00	180 80 428 50 194 00	11 25 144 00 142 00	90 4 60 7 50	219 95 2 726 10 2 353 50 2	77

ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

	EXPENDITURE.						
NAME OF LODGE.	Working Bx- penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expenditure.	Total Expendi- ture.		
Balmoral Arthur Sudbury Bearsciffe Lyn Wewood Morewood Morewood Morewood Morewood Glanworth Tweed Chesterville Glanworth Tweed Rodney Minnetonka Thomasburg Broadview Manotick More Manotick Milloroo Mil	82 11 82 11 83 10 83 10 84 11 83 10 84 11 83 11 85 11	22 56 15 30 3 60 1 10 42 37 87 13 6 00 2 56 32 60 3 00 17 41 34 40 25 56 3 4 40 25 56 3 4 40 25 56 3 98	\$ c 175 00 1002 50 1000 00 150	\$ C 12 015	\$3 233 497 309 382 287 196 318 359 144 494 490 600 600 600 600 600 600 600 600 600 6		

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1	RE	CEIPTS OF LOI	OGES.		1.
Initiations, Admission by. Card and Degrees.	Dues and Reinstatements.	Rent, Interest and Dividends.	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.	No. of Lodge.
\$ 48 00 51 00 93 00 93 00 94 10 94 10 95 10 96 10 96 10 97 10 98 1	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	36 80 17 77 4 32 34 50 27 34 27 34 4 44 4 40 4 77 8 87 5 60 19 78 25 00	\$ 3 c0 56 295 56 295 1 355 1 2 40 28 290 31 10 15 1 40 65 7 63 115 70 43 599 21 36 90 22 78 24 40 28 890 11 43 11 43 12 59 2 90 2 90 3	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	280 281 281 282 283 284 286 286 287 288 291 292 291 292 293 300 302 294 295 296 297 298 307 308 308 308 308 308 308 308 308 308 308
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ABSTRACT FROM SEMI ANNUAL RETURNS.

		Assets	-How Inve	STED.	
NAME OF LODGE,	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's . hands.	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.
Brock	\$ c 355 77	\$ c 5380 01	\$ c 100 00	\$ c 900 00	\$ 6 300 0 436 3 295 5 110 5 141 2 98 0
Cataraqui Otonabee	2057 85 1528 20	4140 82		1662 14	436 3
Union	1528 20 950 78	5900 00	12080 00	. 850 00 1717 35	295 5 110 5
Phoenix	99 01	1729 33		900 00	141 2
Rose Chatham	91 16		3150 00	1125 50	98 0
Eureka	160 06 180 54	3000 00	10400 00 11981 00	991 22	456 7 50 0 236 6
Elgin	375 90	4781 65	11361 00	1000 00 950 00	936 6
Erie	175 00		/ 800 00	250 00	14 8
Gore	539 13	16600 00	1216 46	3 27	559 0
Samaritan St. Mary's Forest City Rond Eau Avon Excelsior Frontier Mount Zie	1718 96 11 61		6000 00	2173 15 600 00	80 0
Forest City	106 45	2037 07	11881 20	1020 00	111 3
Avon	1841 47			1525 00	309.5
Excelsion	504 34 1606 85		20069 55	2205 00	132,7
Frontier	140 74		11350 00	351 75 2884 49	158 0
Mount Zion	286 10		1145 00	175 00	
Unity	· 531 66 2433 04	3440 00 950 00	6825 00 12000 00	865 00	235 9
Dominion	871 74	900 00	6145 00	946 21 100 00	145 2 764 6
Canada Otter Bissel Covenant. Niagara Falls Collingwood Fidelity Otter Otter	728 18		- 7000 00	1000 00	611 2
Covenant	137 94				
Niagara Falls	3461 46	6992 00 1000 00	241 10	900 00	326 8
Collingwood	199 45	2950 00	6902 17	2175 00	81 9
Onean City	111 16 1546 35	1000.00	4450 00	200 00	. 80, 311.15
Maple Leaf	1546 35 792 73	4000 00 810 00		93 13 815 00	461 5 60 0
Howard	3293 96	4100 00	2400 00	1000 00	192 5
Corinthian	1346 63 1706 82		5900 00	900 00	616 6
Fidelity Oueen City Maple Leaf. Howard Kingston Corinthian Huron Barrie	1706 82 315 34	5500 00 4877 60		1570 25 809 72	435 4 154 4
	194 30	1150 00		900 00	154 4 48 6
Victoria	2633 90			591 98	17 5
Friendship	149 95 1451 76	4775 57	14000 00	1400 00	233 6
Florence Nightingale Exeter North Star	23 52	775 00	3000 00	200 00	52 0
North Star	23 52 373 92 2661 98 2482 95 1854 74 76 54 421 08 574 72 83 08				
Hope	2661 98 2482 95		900 00	100 00	
The Toronto	1854 74		554 74	350 00 . 183 21 1000 00	251 4
Lucan	76 54 421 08			183 21 1000 00	292 0
FergusBothwell	421 08 574 72	5210 00		523 32 .	
Warriner	83 08	1950 00	700 00	550 00 850 00	109 9 334 7
Warriner St. Thomas	142 67	1250 00 11300 00	100 00	1000 00	578 6
Deford	466 10			460 00 .	
Durham Nipissing Amity Belleville	573 96 726 04	4980 25	50 00	2000 00	279 5 40 2
Amity	205 55	4522 13		500 00 2597 60	130 5
Belleville	4486 30			4986 98	501 7
Beaver	149 08 . 514 62 .		2000 00	500 00 .	
Walkerton	35 50 188 83	2435 55		565 00 600 00	49 3 89 8
Constellation	188 83	2550 00	200 00	000 00	55 O

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ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS,

		Assets—How Invested.						
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands.	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.		
86 87 88 89 91 91 92 93 94 96 97 98 98 90 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100	Napanee Empire Olive Branch Reliance Ivy Grand River Mil on Grand River Mil on Minto Manilla St. Clair Waterioo Royal Dak Orion Leurel Leurel Leurel Leurel Leurel Matiland Matiland Waterioo Minto Mi	\$49 67 34	\$00 00 00 100 00 100 00 100 00 100 00 100 00	\$ c 1424 00 1175 00 4800 00 6870 00 650 00 5050 00	\$\sigma\$ c 2879 50 1996 14 1900 00 1425 00 00 1425 00 00 1425 00 00 1425 00 00 1425 00	\$ c c 1918 &		
12 C 13 H 14 H 16 V 17 N 18 A	earnington Concord Say of Quinte Klügetown Vivian Jodel Surora Vestern Star	91 61 252 71 1520 32 122 83 1448 63 39 20 108 91	3840 00 600 00 1550 00	3500 00 2231 90 219 00 4235 00	355 00 1371 44 500 00 1483 93 1299 00 927 59 300 00 296 00 724 50	189 65 210 37 190 58 282 48 108 00 18 50 195 70		

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Due on Build- ings and Lands.	Other Debts.	General Benefit Fund.	W. and O. Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Nurse Fund.	Total Funds.	
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No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands.	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.
151 152 153 154 155	Sycamore Hayden Wildey Alpha Brougham	268 58 337 86	\$ c 654 00 850 00 1620 00 2995 00 914 64	\$ c	\$ c 300 00 530 00 200 00	\$ c 90 25 81 32 325 42
156 157 158 159 160	Pyramid Thamesville Progress Oak Leaf Listowel Simcoe		700 00 1120 12	45 00 1016 00	600 00 625 00 250 00 1000 00	49 00 75 00 100 00 99 75 147 20
161 163 164 165 167 168	Romeo Beethoven Hillsburgh	371 64 1092 44 80 37	658 41 3855 11	7700 00 66 00 850 00 4264 88	650 00 1100 00 261 95 325 00 150 00 250 00	17 34 152 05 16 00 62 00
169 170 171 172 173	Sutton Grey De Novo Alliston Penetangore Emerald Dolman	45 85 238 05 431 47 1546 50	529 85 1750 00 3774 35	1725 00	200 00 200 00 2027 65 370 00	41 55 248 90 98 85 221 49
174 176 177 178 179 180	Dolman Dauncey Montana Wellington Square Madoc Owen Sound Tecumseh	1541 50 432 65 80 42 702 28 2341 30	926 24 2250 00		450 00 136 70 300 00 120 00 1361 86	55 50 34 50 342 12 563 00
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189 190 191 192 194	Cambridge Parry Sound Chorazin Jarvis Howick Albert Cicerone	1559 28 28 81 124 85 101 06 198 92	500 00 1975 14 750 00 4100 00	5266 21	1450 60 468 63 1064 26 40 00 534 94	120 00 160 00 56 35 56 00 334 50
195 196 197 200 201 202	Cicerone Florence Minerva Weston Beacon Silver Star Pembroke	779 07	3308 68	45 00 2000 00 601 56	850 00 231 00 250 00 568 47 300 00	141 75 75 00 129 95
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209 210 211 212 214	Millbank Brucefield Lilly Argyll Clifford Freestone	48 98 1089 67 - 35 54 137 89 683 98	959 15 3050 0° 2900 00	675 00	150 00 200 00 249 75 1606 60 159 45	69 60 38 35
215 216 217 218	Freestone Elmira Mount Brydges Enterprise	044 92	1000 00 1615 00 96 62	4149 82	500 00 571 08	52 00 86 90 147 90 145 15

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Due on Buildings and Lands.	Other Debts.	General Benefit Fund.	W. and O. Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Nurse Fund.	Total Funds.
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		31.8	Assets	S-How INVE	STED.	
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands.	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.
448 449 550 551 552 553 564 556 557 558 569 560 577 588 599 001 1 2 2 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 6 6 7 7 8 8 9 9 0 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 6 6 7 7 8 8 9 9 0 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 6 6 7 7 8 8 9 9 0 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5	Georgian Bay Woodslee Chesley Hensall Odawa Sandle Georgian Bay Woodslee Chesley Hensall Odawa Sandle Georgian International International International Embro Star Prince of Wales Elora Equity Hanover Ilderton Waterford Acorn Farmersville Stirling Carlton Wilton Tbornbury Port Arthur Mallorytown Orillia Gordon Campbellford Beaverton Ridgely Bracebridge Floral Caledonia Alba Alba Lynden Mealord Gold Hill Norwood East Toronto Fraternity Delta Missenabee Alagoma Sunley Malogytown Missenabee Malogoma Missenabee Malogoma Missenabee Malogoma Missenabee Malogoma Missenabee Malogoma Sunley Modostock Malogoma Missenabee Malogoma Midland Fairy Midland	\$ 1188 63 99 293 312 85 99 293 312 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 313 85 31 85	\$ c 250 00 00 683 28 28 2756 35 328 45 7 804 00 11450 00 11450 00 11450 00 600 00 848 13 700 00 00 150	\$ c 1885 56 632 90 1400 00 1400 00 14287 58 1748 51 50 500 00 500 00 500 00 500 00 500 00 500 00	\$ 0 C 729 00 650	\$ 0
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			Assets	-How Inve	STED.	
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands.	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.
280	Balmoral	\$ c 635 38	\$ с	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
281	Arthur	45 09	1266 92		510 71 550 00	162 1
282	Sudbury	648 82			1050 00	150 0
283	Earnscliffe	79 05	1155 61		250 00	160 0
284	Lyn	22 75	200 00	200 00	100 00	
285	Morewood			550 00	175 00	130 3
286 287	Royal	160 95	***********	259 80 1406 00	458 58 400 00	131 2
288	Chesterville	490 46	₹ 1000 00		400 00 388 25	173 0
2-9	Glanworth	565 95			100 00	110 0
290	Tweed	538 07			718 17	154 56
291	Rodney	560 78		259 80		69 50
292	Minnetonka	155 82		1406 00	800 00	125 0
293	Thomasburg	1027 14			631 89	
294 295	Broadview	1490 45			330 84	79 0
296	Manotick	555 90			159 76 308 62	143 74 115 0
297	Mayflower	49 73		900.00	249 78	32 0
298	Mayflower	361 09		1 300 00	395 63	45 0
299	Cornucopia	104 87		900 00	850 00	226 9
300	Bobcaygeon	485 24			75 00	82 50
301	Plattsville	150 62			184 96	52 50
302	Aberdeen	93 29	**********	233 40	188 95	260 40
303 304	Fellowship	80 81	346 00		343 48 125 00	46 50 37 00
305	Valentine	210 58			225 00	32 0
306	Athena	213 33		233 40	220 00	42 00
207	Princeton	571 89			146 00	44 00
308	Millbrook					85 83
309	Harrow	247 40			247 07	4 78
310 311	Shedden	129 74 383 49			180 03	49 40
312	Zeta	318 94			550 00 206 23	49 30 156 70
313	Electric City	200 37			110 77	85 9
314	Prospect	30 81	1312 20		282 82	
315	Mountain	83 63			180 00	31 50
316	Britain	432 75			41 15	8 78
317	Laurentian	34 42	104 89		237 00	73 50
145 208	Riverside	175 17			566 77 96 50	40 50
225	Norfolk	950 94			310 51	55 10 110 00
318	Bervie	53 15			151 24	31 50
319	Webbwood	272 26			172 17	258 78
320	Geneva	53 73			500 00	93 50
321	Hespeler	125 92			218 70	81 7
322	Central	276 06	450 00		110 00	86 43
323	Liberty	216 83 96 16	*********		045.44	13 00
198	Britannia	120 44			245 00 118 99	55 00 37 50
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Due on Build- ings and Lands.	Other Debts.	General Benefit Fund.	W. and O. Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Nurse Fund.	Total Funds.
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NAME OF LODGE.	Initiated.	Admitted by card.	Reinstated.	Suspended for cause.	Suspended for N.P.D.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	ď.	Membership per last Report.	
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Union	****	1			ī			i	173	1
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Chatham	ĩ		1		2				189	
Eureka	1								101	
Elgin	2				5				228	
Gore. Samaritan	5								278	1
Samaritan	5		3		1			i	159	
Forest City					13	2			106	6
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Eventsian	4				5			4	265	
Frontier	9				8			2	160	
Mount Zion									226 34	
Unity	8	1	1		6			2	337	
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Maple Leaf	1				4 .				200	
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Oxford	2				3 .			1	334	
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Number of Brothers Sick.	Number of Weeks' Sickness.	Number of Weeks' Sickness Amount paid for Sick Benefits.		Anount paid for Burying Deceased Brothers.	Paid for Special Relief and Do- nations.	Paid for Nursing Sick Brothers.	Paid to Lodge Surgeon.	TOTAL BENE FITS AND RELIEF.
77 177 8 10 144 8 8 17 12 24 1 25 12 5 17 7 7 19 6 14 1 32 13 13 11 12	77-2 81-3 34 100 72-2 64 75-5 299-6 137 63 219-3 18-3 175-1 57 97-3 804-6	\$ c 232 00 244 50 141 10 202 00 138 85 225 15 192 00 359 31 6 00 147 64 507 50 73 71 700 47 221 00 176 00 23 00 76 90 188 00 471 06 471 02 188 00 28 00 471 02 188 00 28 00 471 02 188 00 28 00 471 02 21 22 21 25 21 25	75 00 20 00 200 00 195 00 40 00 300 00 170 00	\$ c 30 00 30 00 44 00 44 00 50 00 40 00 40 00 125 00 50 00	\$ c 15 00 - 14 64 2 00 7 70 35 00 5 00 10 00	6 95 43 00 25 00 44 75 15 50	\$ c 75 00 66 50 41 50 112 13 78 00 3 00 69 59	\$ c c 307 00 449 50 449 50 449 50 427 00 448 45 46 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42 42
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5 2 7 1 7 4 26 3 7 4 18 15 1 6 8	31 3 15-4 1 35-4 167-3 13 17-1 11-3 170-2 82-4 2 50-3 30	88 00 9 00 62 30 4 00 107 00	109 50 75 00 15 00	55 05 40 00 50 00	10 00 5 00 10 00 41 00	6 00 10 00	69 00 40 00 43 00 20 50 60 75 3 00 1 25 00 1 00	88 00 / 9 40 141 30 104 00 150 00 150 00 121 17 45 58 48 00 8 389 00 8 4 40 105 00 8 105 00 8

	NAME OF LODGE.	Initiated.	Admitted by card.	Reinstated.	Suspended for cause.	Suspended for N. P.D.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Died.	Membership per last Report.	Present member-
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P	eaceful Dove									58 52 28 48	
C	obourg	2								94 139	
SI	Lawrence		•••••			16		2		139	1
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L	eamington	3					A			124	1
C	oncord	2				2			*****	73 126	
P	ideetown		111		::::	4				95	
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Number of Brothers Sick.	Number of Weeks' Sickness.	Amount paid for Sick Benefits.	Amount paid for Relief of Widows and Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Deceased Brothers.	Paid for Special Relief and Do- nations.	Paid for Nursing Sick Brothers.	Paid to Lodge Surgeon.	TOTAL BENE- FITS AND RELIEF.	No. of Lodge.
4 10 13 4	7 6 55 120 37	\$ c 21 00 12 00 164 57 300 00 85 00	\$ c 50 00	\$ c	\$ c 2 95 10 00	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c 21 00 62 00 195 02 517 50	86 87 88 89

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225 25 29 122 9 14 9 14 9 10 9 17 19 17 19 18 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	6 130-5 34 72 67 18-5 13 26-6	18 00	120 00	75 00	10 00 10 00 11 05 37 00	11 67	29 62 110 00 44 00 68 22	84 27 57 62 734 19 63 15 343 94 306 22 56 15	102 103 104 105 106 107 108
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8 3 3 1 3 10 4 2 6 3 10 2 3 3	57-1 5 39 22-3 54 38-6	61 50 67 72 89 28	117 25	30 00	28 50		20 75	22 55 1. 366 00 1. 27 00 1. 93 00 1. 31 00 1. 9 00 1. 106 57 1. 172 00 1. 35 75 1. 47 72 1.4 48 22 00 1.4 113 86 1.4 122 00 1.4 150 00 1.4	16 17 18 19 10 2
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Alph	y				2								i		;	1	63	
Brou	ham										3 2		1	• • • •	1		115	
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Number of Brothers Sick.

Present membership.

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			BENE	FITS AN	D REI II	EF.	TOTAL .	
Number of Brothers Sick.	Number of Weeks' Sickness.	Amount paid for Sick Benefits.	Amount paid for Relief of Widows and Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Deceased Brothers.	Paid for Special Relief and Do- nations.	Paid for Nursing Sick Brothers.	Paid to Lodge Surgeon.	TOTAL BENE FITS AND RELIEF.
2 5 3 8 1 1 5 10 1 4 25 5 4	30 41 7-3 62-1 1 8 23 78 4-4 13 18 19-3 160 4 50-5 30	\$ c 90 50 69 00 23 00 187 00 3 00 60 00 24 00 60 238 50 16 25 39 00 54 00 58 26 561 92 74 35 80 00	\$ c 6 00 120 00 100 00	\$ c 30 00	\$ c 2.00	14 00 25 00	\$ c 3 00 11 75 41 00 2 00 18 50	\$ c 96 50 74 00 23 00 337 00 14 70 24 00 115 00 445 50 34 75 42 00 54 00 73 26 579 92 94 60 98 00
11 2 4	7 58-3 12 14	21 00 176 50 36 00 43 50	260 00	90 00	25 00			21 00 551 50 36 00 43 50
3 5 4	9 15 4-2 18-5 46	27 00 . 60 00 . 12 87 . 56 50 . 134 13 .	120 00	12 00				36 00 43 50 27 00 60 00 12 87 64 50 134 13
3	39	21 00	120.00	80.00	3 00			24 00
3 6 12 1	39 21 46-6 1	3 00			5 00	69 50	49 50	297 00 1 75 00 1 310 00 1 5 00 1
16 1 12 4 1 4 4 13	62-4 6 27 29 3 12-4 26 32-3	250 50 18 00 81 00 74 00 12 00 35 98 78 00 93 75	240 00 150 00 200 00 125 00	170 00 30 00 40 00 50 00 30 00	12 80		23 00	27 00 60 00 12 87 64 13 134 13 24 00 297 00 75 00 1 5 00 1 5 00 1 5 00 1 8 00 1 8 00 2 108 00 2 2 108 00 2 2 108 00 2 2 108 00 2 2 108 00 2 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1
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2 8 8 4 3	5 21 41 10-5	15 00 83 00 122 00 42 85			2 00		14 00	2 00 20 15 00 21 83 00 21 136 00 21 42 85 21
3 3 5	6-6 14 12	20 25			46 40 59 00			20 25 21 88 40 21

			MEM	BERS	HIP				Seat.	m2	
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Initiated.	Admitted by card.	Reinstated.	Suspended tor	Suspended for N.P.D.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Died.	Membership per last Report.	Present member- ship.
219 220 221 223 224 226 227 228 230 231 232 233 234 235 236 237 239 240 241 244 245 246 247	Georgian Bay Woodslee Chesley Hensal Ottawa Merlin Sauble Instrantional Embro Star Elorie Elorie Elorie Elorie Hanover Ilderton Waterford Acor Farmeraville Stirling Carlton Rideau Wilton Thornbury Port Anthum Mallorytown	4 19 5 5 2 3 4 2		1 1		1 3 7 9	2 1		2 1	94 36 33 55 171 188 33 64 17 13 27 25 128 172 165 102 35 48	9.3 353 554 174 351 184 277 657 212 877 222 128 164 164 164 164 164 164 164 164 164 164
446 447 448 449 550 551 552 553 554 655 666 666 667 668 669 770 772 773 774	Prince of Wales Elora Equity Hanover Ilderton Waterford Acorn Waterford Acorn Farmersville Carling Car	1 2 2 7 7 1 1 1 1 6 6 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 2 1 1	1 1 1		2 10 4 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 7 7 2 9 9 5 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	i	1 1 1	711 76 477 533 662 662 61 449 322 230 1114 344 357 664 633 390 686 686 388 377 373 34	707 494 494 506 717 1164 494 494 494 1116 1116 1116 1116 11
76 77 78 79	Sheard. Lambton. Rockcliffe Grenville.	19	1			1 2 4				65 163 70	64 180 73

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2	Number of Brothers Sick.	Number of a Weeks' Sickness.	Amount paid for Sick Benefits.	Amount paid for Relief of Widows and Orphans,		Paid for Special Relief and Do- nations.	Paid for Nursing Sick Brothers.	Paid to Lodge Surgeon.	TOTAL BENE- FITS AND RELIEF.
10		7 12 12-2 20 54-3 4 1 37-2 9-1	\$ c 39 00 36 00 37 00 58 10 163 28 12 00 3 00 149 13 10 50 27 87 3 00	19 10 100 00	90 00	\$ c 139 00 5 00		\$ c 4 00	\$ c 39 00 36 00 176 00 58 10 281 38 12 00 33 08 24 50 66 93 143 50
4 15 45 00 56 00 12 00 12 00 57 00 1 33 11 -0 35 14 15 15 00 10 00 25 50 2 5 15 00 10 00 10 00 25 50 2 5 15 00 10 00 10 00 25 10 2 1 10 10 00 25 10 2 1 10 11 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10 2 11 2 10	10 3 1 6 5 6	60-3 13 17 28-3 20-4 15-5 18-1	181 28 39 00 51 00 85 72 61 72 39 50 64 55	200 00 100 00	30 00 30 00	2 00	53 00	87 00	2 00 464 28 169 00 51 00 85 72 76 72 85 50 151 55
1	3 3 2	15 8 11-6 5	24 00 35 14 15 00	20 00		10 00		36 (10	8 25 125 50 57 00 80 00 35 14 25 00
1 1 2 00 15 00 15 12 59 72 6 44 -1 108 73 71 00 179 73 22 9 27 5 79 50 5 00 38 75 12 02 22 5 4 17 50 5 00 38 75 12 25 2 4 14 56 60 0 \$ \$ 0 56 00 2 6 228 112 00 \$ 30 0 315 00 2 7 14 5 44 18 \$ 56 25 100 30 3 3 228 112 00 \$ 50 9 102 20 2 6 11 4 4 50 \$ 50 9 117 02 2 2 10 30 85 00 4 00 9 96 80 81 2 4 34 100 72 2 2 00 9 96 80 81 3 <td></td> <td></td> <td>36 00 94 50 37 00</td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>:::::: </td> <td>11 00 36 50 9 50 37 00 36 00 145 00</td>			36 00 94 50 37 00					::::::	11 00 36 50 9 50 37 00 36 00 145 00
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	4	10 34-4 25-2	30 85 . 100 72 . 72 93 12 00		40 00	60 00	11 50	9 96	80 81 2 100 72 2 114 43 2 27 00 2

Number of Brothers Sick

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	MEMBERSHIP.	

NAME OF LODGE.	Initiated.	Admitted by card.	Reinstated.	Suspended for	Suspended or N.P.D.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Died.	Membership per	Present member
Balmoral Arthur Sudbury Earnscliffe Lyn Morewood Royal Ripley Chesterville J Glanworth	2 2 5 3 8 4 1 1		i		2 12 4 8	i	2		66 78 74 105 24 42 59 70 32 36	, 1
Morewood Royal Royal Ripley Chesterville Glanworth Tweed Rodney Minnetonka Thomasburg Honadriew Pomppool Mayflower Comber Cornucopia	4	 			7, 1	1		i	59 45 64 68 120 27 41 44	1
Comber Cornucopia Bobcaygeon Plattsville Aberdeen Fellowship Star Valentine Athena	3 2 2 2 2		1 1		1 				47 80 39 42 27 39 54 42 35	10
Princeton Millbrook Harrow Shedden Zeta Spirit Rock Electric City Prospect	3 2				3 3 2 5 3			1	75 46 28 60 39 36	
Britain	5				2	1 1		1	148 - 28 35 32 65 40 70 27	
Webbwood Geneva Hespeler Central Liberty Ontario Britannia Southampton	1 5 4 17 1 1 4	2	i		3 2	i			45 32 31 104 51 39 21	1
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Number of Brothers Sick.	Number of Weeks' Sickness,	Amount paid for Sick Brothers.	Amount paid for Relief of Widows and Orphans.	Amount paid for Burying Deceased Brothers.	Paid for Special Relief and Do- nations.	Paid for Nursing Siek-Brothers.	Paid to Lodge Surgeon.	TOTAL BENE- FITS AND RELIEF.
5 7	24-1 36-1	\$ 68 2 68 2 68 2 68 4 4 1 18 6	c \$	c \$	c \$ 6	\$	\$ 6	\$ 0
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3	17-4	18 0 70 2	7					18 00
1	7-3 22	22 5	0		10 00		/8 12	148 39 32 50
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7	14	26 6 42 0	0		1	18 00		44 60
4	7-5 6 21 8 7 15 1	23 1- 12 00 63 00 25 55 27 00 21 00 45 00 4 00						42 00
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2	6.3	19 50	60 00			24 00		23 15 19 50
3	8-1	25 21		40 00		24 00		146 00
3	8	24 00		**********	********			11 00
2 3 4 2 3 1 3 1 7	3 20-5 6 3 8 8-1 3-6 8 10 4 37	9 00 23 15 19 50 22 00 25 21 11 00 24 00 30 00 12 00 148 00 7 00			4 50			34 50
7 2	37	148 00 7 00			7.11			12 00 1 148 51
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91 97	7877 9633-4	28173 72 28617 75	6636 42 5582 56	2840 80 3896 55	1641 35 1695 26	580 05 762 74	3415 30 3475 50	38587 64 44030 36
28 1	7510-4	51791 47	12218 98	6737 35	3336 61	1642 79	6890 80	82618 00

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		1		XPENDITU	RE.	
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Working Ex- penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expendi-	Total Expendi- ture.
9 10 13	Brock Cataraqui Otonabee	\$ c 210 53 443 08 209 92	\$ c	\$ c 35 00	\$ c 31 63 46 88	\$ c 674 10 939 4
16 22 28 29 30 32 33 34	Union		,,,,,,,,,		148 99	427 50 757 0
28	l Kose	49 no			46 89	621 4
30	Chatham	162 10			391 56	247 73 1030 58
32	Elgin	100 05			57 05	351 10
33	Erie	9 50	ALC: NO PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN TO PERSON NAM		126 76 14 94	927 39 30 44
35		312 93 358 34		5 25	69 17	1681 74
35 36	St. Maru's	97 00			292 70 139 65	1447 04
38 40	Forest City	27 98 . 84 01	16 75		51 81	397 63 797 66
41	Aven	205 44	16 75	163 14	2 81	501 85
41	Aven Excelsior	231 50 143 39		100 00	427 99	1910 46 649 39
45 46	Prontier Mount Zion			150 00	336 81	989 76
47 48 49	Unity Dominion Canada	256 54			33 00 157 77	86 68 1953 56
18	Dominion	134 46		700 00	157 77 141 35	1953 56 1347 86
50				**********	36 90	848 11
50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 61	Bissel .	200 14	·····/		90 00	541 39
53	Covenant	221 51	4 00		96 72	546 48
54	Niagara Falls Collingwood Fidelity Queen City Maple Leaf Howard Kingston Corinthian Huron Barrie	222 86 120 78	17 03		48 14	643 51
55	Fidelity	66 17	17 00		77 22 91 34	468 48 231 51
57	Manle Leaf	66 17 321 61 82 00	2 25		97 33	231 51 619 89
58	Howard	102 75	1 00	4 50	10 40	140 40
59	Kingston	572 81		1 30	81 68 3 75	766 93 907 56
62	Huron	283 42 . 89 66 .			185 78	1200 81
63	Barrie		*********		19 50	407 20 459 91
65	Victoria	76 25	3 00		2 55	249 66
66	Florence Nightingale	136 77 . 219 57	59 79		133 50	475 27
67	Exeter	36 40 .			80 72	654 66 135 12
62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75	Barrie Victoria Friendship Florence Nightingale Exeter North Star Hope	66 75 . 42 57 .	٠٠٠٠ ،		1 25	68 00
70		87 24			6 23	136 80 101 64
71	The Toronto	132 53			5 40 15 38	101 64 289 21
78	Fergus	47 85	6 15			147 93
74	Fergus Bothwell	7 50			24 29 48 20	228 09 55 70
76	Warriner	112 55 392 05		86 25	30 25	373 62
77	Oxford	7 50 . 112 55 392 05 152 12 .		86 25	122 45	1206 42
78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85	Oxford Durham Nipissing Amity Belleville	175 45	75		41 42	206 12 338 79
80	Amity	89 70 . 326 86 .		900.66		135 28
81,	Belleville	302 04	1 00	200 00	3 00	1014 86 759 71
83	Beaver	46 83			67 67 16 00	54 23
84	Walkerton	118 11 85 07			16 00	257 61
85	Constellation	32 51			100 12	290 19 35 51

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Initiations, Ad-

	RECI	EIPTS OF LOI	OGES.		T
Initiations, Admissions by Cards and Degrees.	Dues and Reinstalements.	Rent, Interest and Dividends.	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.	No. of Lodge.
\$ c 8 00 133 50 133 50 134 75 22 100 138 100 1	\$ c 335 30 831 45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45 45	\$\frac{1}{255}\$ 40 177 35 28 58 179 00 38 20 41 50 406 30 420 0	\$ c 2 98 772 50 51 124 30 64 65 65 72 125 125 125 125 125 125 125 125 125 12	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	9100 1336 1322 2390 3323 3345 336 336 336 336 336 340 1444 445 446 447 448 449 459 551 552 356 66 66 67 77 77 77 77 77 77 77 77 77 77

Total Expendi-

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			E	PENDITU	RE.	
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Working Ex- penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expendi- ture.	Total Expendi- ture.
6 N	apanee	\$ c 191 79	\$	\$ c	\$_c	\$ 25
7 E	mpire	183 07	3 45	500 00	37 15	25
8 O 9 R	live Branch	130 54			103 09	74 42
DI	eliance	200 73			15 75	73
G	rand River	138 96			39 50	31
M B W	lilton	4 15				47
A	estern Cityylmerith	116 65			22 28	23
N	ith	209 05			97 49	69
		313 95	2 45			22 49
Li	into		14 45	110 34	2 31	30
G	indsay	193 95 66 70	1050 00		2 31	24
D	eseronto	219 81	27 00		15 00 15 85 169 35 1 12 22 50 67 41	133
C	ataract	62 53		150 00	15 85	34 28
M	anilla B	376 76				1110
St	anilla	115 65				9:
W	aterloo	233 25		5000 06	160 95	459 5708
		99 71		5000 00	100 00	150
La	oyat Oak rion aurel sterborough	57 40			1 12	110
Pe	eterborough	396 90			22 50	38
L	icknow	215 20			67 41	809 591
C	enton	117 84				207
H	armony	201 70 425 42		5940 00	90 00	6474
N	aomi	44 85			66 57 21 59	704 98
Va	nanoque armony aomi illey City aitland denham Valley xon reetsville	151 79	21 40	109 85 200 00	4 00	337
Sv	denham Valley	169 80 . 205 32	10 00	109 85		291
Sa	xon	45 50	10 00	200 00	331 58	984
Str	reetsville	35 38	38 15 39 75		22 20	84 119
St	esden	201 17	38 15 .		171 50	898
Sa	esdenella	111 00	39 75 .		113 75	415
Mi	zpah	198 02			477 42 14 08	634 584
Ch	arity	59 54				59
Ma	vingstone	37 38	55			59
Oa	kville	77 61	33 .		3 85 100 18	549
Gle	encoe	162 33 .			1 80	204 257
Per	ient				3 81	83
1 50	bourg	172 45	• • • • • • • •		96 48 14 40	169
St.	Lawrence	172 45 172 66		57 38	50 00	293 452
Car	caster	58 18				93
Le	amington ncord y of Quinte	157 50				357
Co	ncord	202 76			50 05	225
Ba	y of Quinte	114 12	72 00	195 60	108 07	342 603
Vie	igetown	138 75 115 92		1520 32		1681
MO	del	65 17			31 08	172
Au	rora	53 11	······):		3 00 100 43	218 331
We	stern Star	124 10			101/ 10	147

Total Expenditure.

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Initiations, Ad- nissions by Card and De- grees.	Dues and Rein- statements.	Rent, Interest and Dividends.	All Other Sources.	Total Receipts.
\$ c 27 00 30 00 47 00 352 00 47 00 32 00 11 00 1	\$ c c 156 25 286 00 342 55 460 80 200 287 221 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65 65	\$ 0 35 00 375 51 42 50 142 50	\$ 0.00	\$ 258 c8 2258 c8 392 86 392 80 392 80 300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300 300

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				KPENDITUE	E	775
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Working Expenses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expenditure.	Total Expenditure.
51 52 53 54 55 56	Sycamore Hayden Wildey Alpha Brougham Pyramid	103 67 51 65 198 29	\$ c	\$ c 100 00 200 00 100 00	\$ c 20 00	\$ c 250 50 177 67 283 65 635 29 47 35
57 58 59 50 51 13	Pyramid Thamesville Progress Oak Leaf Listowel Simcoe Oriental Romeo Beethoven Hillsburgh	72 15 154 75 70 27 102 42 137 46	19 00 16 00	45 00 1700 00 100 00	40 00 3 84 105 00 8 00 3 00 9 35	190 99 5224 25 113 02 1862 42 300 81
4	Romeo	174 85 105 78 16 69 29 60	320 00		668 41 32 03 3 75 179 20 82	936 49 1110 80 204 13 114 69 208 80 14 47
1 2 3 4 6 7 8	Beetinoven Hilisburgh Sutton De Novo Alliston Penetangore Emerald Dolman Dauncey Montana Wellington Square Madoc Owen Sound Teeswater Germania Dufferin Cambridge Parry Sound Chorain Jarvia Howick Albert Gerone Minerva Minerva Minerva Minerva Minerva Weston Beeacon	121 43	75	250 00	40 80 19 80 3 00 1 00	963 73 111 58 108 75 15 15
3902334	Wellington Square Madoc Owen Sound Tecumseh Tecswater Germania	54 50 . 124 10 . 169 84 76 12 . 15 35	5 00 . 140 00 .	562 46	4 20 3 00 1 55 2 20	59 05 118 70 147 97 244 89 774 91 155 35
	Dufferin Cambridge Parry Sound Chorazin Jarvis Howick	36 21 57 80 163 64 108 49	25 00		396 46 155 54 309 45 238 12	509 28 513 75 442 25 711 76 113 49
	Silver Star	97 65 6 25 110 62 66 52 49 81 83 84 83 25 113 09	59 00 .	1349 24	77 50 	881 45 24 25 430 62 163 52 751 87 1903 59
	Pembroke Acton Ahiram Silver City	79 23 109 54	79 77	41 00 350 00	13 50 72 18	191 25 4332 34 26 40 359 18 615 54 26 80
i	Milibank Brucefield Lilly Argyle Lifford Freestone	35 29 61 91 168 57 62 25 44 96	200 00 6 25 148 48	575 00	83 37	47 60 250 29 228 28 310 82 828 58 44 96 76 50
	Mount Brydges	98 73 152 20			54 69 91 00	76 50 241 82 338 20

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\$ 5 00 28 00 4 00 21 00 7 00 6 00 17 00 108 00 11 00 2 00	\$ c 1 133 75 164 59 197 289 70 289 70 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50	\$ 0 613 10 43 12 354 00 46 85 39 50 45 00 112 50 33 97 51 00 52 50 177 00 81 90	\$ c 8 00 14 71 40 3 50 62 00 23 25 50 1 00 34 50	\$ c 761 85 208 122 233 27 663 41 102 85 90 40 227 75 644 75 294 72 214 67 245 90 254 25 908 49 211 40 45 50 191 75 38 90 38 77 37 77
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ABSTRACT FROM SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

		EXPENDITURE.							
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE.	Working Ex- penses.	Paid for Furniture and Regalia.	Invested.	Other Expendi-	Total Expendi- ture,			
219 220 221 223 224 226 227 228 229 230 231 232 233 234	Georgian Bay Woodslee Chesley Hensal Ottawa Merlin Sauble International Embro Star Prince of Wales Elora Equity Hanover	\$ c 112 33 9 50 114 93 52 73 196 54 32 81 70 90 238 05 114 85 182 24 78 18 27 27	\$ c 27 75	\$ c 150 00	\$ c 15 09 4 25 39 75 22 10 60 71 111 90 75 00 166 95 6 65 4 17 11 15	\$ c 166 33 227 50 330 68 132 93 538 63 556 71 148 90 735 88 146 00 253 34 255 99 27 27			
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Prospect	181	14	• • •		7 00	517 79	
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Shedden	42 (52	. 00		99 00	47 69	
Harrow	97	57			2 25	99 8	
Millbrook	58	70	• • •		13 90	178 4 75 7	
Athena	43	76			7 30	72 00	
Valentine	41	72 14	50			84 2	
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Aberdeen	41 (35		49 00		102 6	
Plattsville	50	5 3	65		1 25	78 8	
Cornucopia	64 1	24			85 73	141 8 53 3	
Comber	32	4			4 50	81 2	
Mayflower	52 5	77 2	50	50 00	6 50	176 2	
Manotick	39 8	88	• •			72 30 114 40	
Broadview	150	36 13	18		64 45	376 3	
Thomasburg	64 9	0 7	20	172 19	9 15	90 1	
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Tweed	86	4	1		2 46	139 20	
Chesterville	16 4	3		55 00		16 43 127 59	
Ripley	49 8			1000 00		1092 6	
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	ASSETS-HOW INVESTED.							
NAME OF LODGE.	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands.	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Ruildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.			
Donali	\$ c	\$ c	\$, c	\$ c	\$ 300 (
Brock	263 24 2336 19	5370 71 4226 40	154 65	900 00 1662 14	300 (457 8			
Cataraqui	1718 45			850 00 1717 35	275 (
Union	869 22	5100 00		1717 35	289			
Phoenix	110 00	1607 03	3150 00	900 00	161			
Chatham	183 45	3000 00	10400 00	1125 50 941 66	151 539			
Eureka	183 45 174 06		11981 00	1000 00	58			
Elgin	449 26	4817 63		950 00	269			
Erie	77 29	175 00	800 00	250 00	18			
Chatham	432 62	17125 00	1216 46	3 27	579			
Samaritan St. Mary's	1477 17 30 10		6000 00 6600 00 .	2173 15				
Forest City	61 58	1920 00	11881 00	1020 00	110			
Forest City	1622 02	481 73		1541 75	298			
Avon	100 97			2204 70	239			
Excelsior	1552 74			334 17				
Frontier	69 14 151 00	165 00	12060 00 1100 00	2566 24				
Unity	190 51	3500 00	6870 00	865 00	175 132			
Dominion	1961 28	1550 00		946 21	124			
Canada			6145 00	100 00	792			
Otter	1008 04		7000 00	1000 00	348			
Bissel	201 12	10795 16		30 00	2304			
Covenant	4086 91	500 00		900 00	2004			
Collingwood	302 82	2950 00		2175 00	43			
Collingwood Fidelity Queen City Maple Leaf	136 08		4450 00	200 00				
Queen City	1708 06 1044 44	4000 00		76 31	471			
Howard	2906 63	636 86 4550 00	2400 00	815 00 1000 00	61 187			
Kingston	1528 42	4000 00	5900 00	900 00	519			
Corinthian	2067 04	5250 00		1570 25	- 447			
Huron	262 47	4877 60		809 72	185			
Barrie	155 13	918 00		900 00	96			
Friendship	2749 24 159 99		14000 00	591 98 1400 00	26 216			
Florence Nightingale	1439 94	4775 57	14000 00	1170 00	85			
Exeter	112 26	4775 57 775 00	3000 00	200 00				
North Star	429 92							
Hope	2885 86 2498 53		900 00	400 00				
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Eastern Star	92 21		001 11	1000 00	250			
Fergus	652 85	5080 00		513 59				
Bothwell	575 62	**********		550 00	297			
Warriner	29 33 421 23	1200 00	700 00	850 00	306			
Oxford		11386 71	100 00	1000 00 200 00	582			
Durham	761 62	4960 25	50 00	2000 00	223			
Nipissing	1762 83			500 00	126			
Durham Nipissing Amity Belleville	117 79	4662 98		2597 60	137			
Belleville	4616 58		200 00	4987 98	519			
Beaver	387 85 507 78		2000 00	500 00 565 00	79			
Clinton. Walkerton	1223 11	1550 00		565 00 600 00	79 110			
Constellation	386 57			200 00	100			

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	LIABILITIES.			FUNDS.		
Due on Build. ings and Lands.	Other Debis.	General Benefit Fund.	W. and O. Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Nurse Fund.	Total Funds.
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3333 33	17 00 165 02 43 50 234 49 550 00	6988 60 7208 09 2843 45 20039 07 2555 53 4447 68 14712 55 9230 23	322 50 	149 34	\$ c	
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3000 00		1300 37	578 16	46 46 8 38 18 12	32 96	14619 38
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	51 25	6146 55	619 39	58 37		4786 08 6904 09
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	89 50	2070 67 2454 42 12646 00	803 93			6119 59 2070 67
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		429 92				4087 26
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	Assets—How Invested.							
NAME OF LODGE.	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands,	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.			
N	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$			
Napanee	354 86	2000 00		2879 50	281			
Empire Olive Branch	. 1308 52 552 50	4500 00 1000 00		1696 14 800 00	230			
Reliance	917 80	5500 00		1425 00	205 449			
Ivy	1070 82	2600 00		500 00	145			
Ivy Grand River	26 98	2725 00	1175 00	500 00	99			
Mil on	955.00	763 40	1110 00	600 00				
Western City	. 845 79	1325 00	419 58	472 34	128			
Aylmer	. 2239 13	3700 00		1500 00				
Nith	. 101 77	4005 00		889 00	542 (
Grand Union Minto	659 40	1550 00		900 00	123			
Lindsay	114 59		4800 00	450 00	49 8			
Lindsay Golden Star	83 19 1103 27	3480 41 1250 00		1122 37 382 08	149			
Deseronto	2460 06	1200 00			183			
Deseronto	352 70	931 16		1800 00 553 00	151			
Crescent	9346 96	001 10	6870 00 650 00	760 50	126			
Manilla	474 23		650 00	350 00	120 (
St. Clair	. 1987 87		5050 00	500 00	80			
Waterloo		9793 50		2900 00				
Royal Oak Orion Laurel Peterborough Lucknow	427 99	3050 00		700 00	158 9			
Laurel	218 13	2600 00	5 00	600.00	38 (
Peterborough	1172 67 80 79	7950 05		378 00	308 8			
Lucknow	1662 71			1100 00 1100 00	501 2			
		1206 00		750 00	560 (155 :			
Gananoque	1157 00	5940 00		2000 00	283 4			
Harmony	842 53	7300 00		2697 05	200 1			
Harmony Naomi Valley City	244 55		612 00	259 51	57 7			
valley City	3856 59	3800 00	545 00	1640 50 .				
Maitland	197 05	25 15 29		467 97	321 (
Sydenham Valley Saxon	609 93 421 91	2110 00	10000 00	1343 28	198 (
Streetsville	f.	4500 00		620 00 700 00	70 (
Dresden	971 85	4000 00	6279 79	700 00 . 1074 15	155 5			
Stella	1882 55			800 00	73 0			
Sarnia	301 58	2089 56		800 00	305 0			
Mizpah Charity	193 06			1384 02	223 6			
				364 90	94 9			
Livingstone	493 85			1000 00	142 5			
Marion	474 85	2630 00 .	**********	1197 94	246 7			
Glencoe	57 80 598 89	800 00	3302 55	600 00	76 8			
Orient	387 14	800 00		483 71 . 600 00 .				
Orient Peaceful Dove		1917 63		900 00				
Cobourg	80 87	1033 00 .		2300 00	250 0			
Cobourg St. Lawrence	177 41	2290 36	150 00	675 00	166 2			
Ancaster	1561 65 .			250 00	108 5			
Garnet	67 13	1200 00 .		355 00	324 5			
Concord	1583 64 .		**********	1371 44	259 4			
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Ridgetown	159 21 189 18	4100 00	2231 90	1555 93	178 2			
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Model	1492 72	1000 00	211 00 8 00	927 00 300 00	145 50			
Vestern Star	1492 12		4235 00	300 00 306 00	69 00 213			
Wastern Care	186 41	C10333555555	1200 00	724 50	210			

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Due on Build- ings and Lands.	General Benefit Fund.	W. and O. Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Nurse Fund.	Total Funds.	N
\$ c 5 c 15 7	\$ c 4390 13 60 6226 04 3569 06 7489 27 24 4255 44 7 3017 68 7 3017 68 7 3017 68 5 5272 72 2 4607 25 2 3185 95 4 4607 25 2 270 3185 95 4 470 787 7718 96 1 1988 00 1 174 423 7617 87 1 2791 78	\$\frac{5}{5} \frac{5}{886 81} \text{1478 11}\$ \$3185 88 \$154 92 \$156 46 \$581 46 \$581 70 \$2190 00 \$1000 00 \$1500 10 \$2190 00 \$3727 94 \$5216 60 \$987 20 \$402 75 \$402 75 \$844 10 \$128 03 \$389 20 \$745 00 \$23 82 \$23 82	\$\frac{1}{223} \frac{2}{27}\$ \$\frac{1}{80} \text{ 00}\$ \$\frac{1}{156} \text{ 62}\$ \$\frac{5}{597} \text{ 67}\$ \$\frac{60}{22}\$ \$\frac{1}{110}\$ \$\frac{44}{43} \text{ 05}\$ \$\frac{33}{36} \text{ 06}\$ \$\frac{22}{36} \text{ 06}\$ \$\frac{22}{36} \text{ 79}\$ \$\frac{168}{387} \text{ 93}\$ \$\frac{253}{36} \text{ 07}\$ \$\frac{253}{35}\$ \$\frac{2}{2} \text{ 31}\$ \$\frac{2}{3} \text{ 35}\$ \$\frac{2}{3} \text{ 37}\$ \$\frac{2} \text{ 37}\$ \$\frac{2}{3} \text{ 37}\$ \$\frac{2}{3} \text{ 37}	\$ c	\$ c 5500 21 7701 15 5500 21 7701 15 5500 21 7701 15 550 56 6 7589 27 74 2555 44 55 56 74 50 74 5	100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100 100

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		Assets—How Invested.							
No. of Lodge.	NAME OF LODGE!	Cash in Bank or in Treasurer's hands,	Invested in Mortgages and Securities.	Invested in Buildings and Lands.	Invested in Furniture and Regalia.	All other Assets.			
151 152 153 154	Sycamore	288 73	2070 00	1575 00	530 00				
155 156 157 158	Alpha Brougham Pyramid Thamesville Progress	93 54 29 80 1125 39 319 66			150 00 600 00 625 00 1000 00	62 20			
59 60 61 63 64	Brougham Pyramid Thamesville Progress Oak Leaf Listowel Simcoe Oriental Romeo	1288 66 225 44 258 41 181 11	1700 00	45 00 16 00 7700 00	250 00	63 78 117 78 18 68 146 39			
65 67 68 69	Beethoven Hillsburgh	1099 71 14 18	3805 11 529 85	850 00 4264 88	150 00	59 50 146 25			
70 71 72 73	Grey De Novo Alliston Penetangore Emerald Dolman	84 34 246 59 1801 36	1750 00	700 00	000 00	70 46 290 53 129 50 220 47			
74 76 77 78	Douncey Montana Wellington Square Madoc Owen Sound	1777 07 452 00 7 00 121 83 2515 33	000 20		136 70	15 50 41 50 . 325 84			
3	Teeswater	697 36	700 00	1000 00 7000 00	1961 86 1200 00 346 00 140 00 732 45	275 00 101 93 82 00 216 30			
6 8 9 0 1	Oufferin Cambridge Parry Sound Chorazin Jarvis Howick	841 56 76 05 77 03	500 00 3 03	850 00 15036 00 5266 21	350 00 1450 70 459 42	191 84 235 43			
5	Howick Albert Cicerone Florence	231 16 51 78 20 83 633 95	1890 38 4100 00 308 89		1064 26 493 44	24 80 297 35			
0 1 2	Weston	83 29 644 35 . 2369 90		2000 00 1950 80	825 00 231 00 250 00 808 80 300 00	12 50 187 75 76 00 176 17			
3 4 5 6	Acton	217 88 1 35	4100 00 298 75 1422 00 1185 60	3800 00	150 00 746 00 475 00	190 70 148 85 216 96			
7 9 1	Aniram Silver City Egremont Millbank Brucefield Lilly Argyll Clifford	35 57 98 35 1091 88 . 58 71	1374 00 973 60	425 00 675 00	100 00 . 100 00 . 200 00 . 249 75 .	102 57			
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	LIABILITIES.			FUNDS.	2.3	
Due on Build- ings and Lands.	Other Debts.	General Benefit Fund.	W. and O. Fund.	Contingent Fund.	Nurse Fund.	Total Funds.
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5000 00 700 00	160.00	3912 33 870 96 2280 67 6069 99 3088 83 2156 25 628 70 1613 70	1349 66	16 57 18 65 56 88 25 36 74 80 2 13	20 25	\$ C 2595 7 65 4144 30 2755 63 1181 55 1181 55 1181 55 1183 59 1184 19 1243 39 1377 96 1377 96
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Minutes of the Eighth Annual Session

OF THE

REBEKAH ASSEMBLY OF ONTARIO

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS.

SESSION OF 1898.

GALT, Aug. 9th, 1898.

The Eighth Annual Session of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario convened in the Odd Fellows' Hall, Galt, this day at 9 o'clock a.m., all the officers and representatives being present. Sister Jane Luscombe, President, in the chair.

His Worship, Bro. J. H. Radford, M.B., Mayor of Galt, read the following address of welcome:

The President and Ladies of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

As this is the first convention of the Ladies' Fraternal Society held in our town, to which our citizens have had the pleasure of bidding you welcome, I must say that it affords me no small pleasure to have the distinguished privilege, on behalf of the citizens and the corporation of the Town of Valt of extending to you a hearty welcome to our town.

Town of Galt, of extending to you a hearty welcome to our town. Our knowledge as to the aim and working of your society is very limited, still knowing as we do the world-renowned benefits of the I.O.O.F. of Ontario, and that you form a part—and no unimportant part—of that Order in elevating humanity to a higher and a more perfect sphere of life, we must admit that yours is a good and a noble society. And that you, being representatives chosen from all parts of the province, on account of the high esteem in which you are held by the members of your subordinate lodges, you are therefore deserving of all the attention it is possible for us to bestow upon you.

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Woman's place in this life is a noble one; to her belongs the training of the youth, who ere long shall be called, upon to take the reins of power. To her belongs the key which leads to the prosperity of our country, the advancement of civilization throughout the world, and the elevation of the human race. Therefore, I am glad, for these reasons, to have the pleasure of welcoming you to our beautiful town which is generally called—and rightly so—the "Manchester of Canada."

Of your Order in Galt, I am pleased to inform you that it is a large and highly respected one; having about 130 members engaged in carrying out the principles of your Order; and this, no doubt, will be very pleasing to you. I trust that this present occasion may be a pleasant and agreeable event in your lives, and that during your deliberations you will be able to gain some knowledge which you can carry home with you, and which will render good service not only to yourselves but also to all with whom you may associate; and should you afterwards be called upon to fill any of the various posts in your Order, you may be able to do so with credit not only to yourselves, but that you shall be an educator to the younger members, and to the community generally. Again, on behalf of the corporation, and the citizens generally, I bid you welcome.

Galt, Aug. 10th, 1808.

J. H. RADFORD, M.B.,

Mayor of Galt.

The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, replied as follows:

J. H. Radford, M.B., Mayor of Galt:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER,—On behalf of the Assembly it is my pleasant duty to thank you for the kind words expressed in your address of welcome, presented in the name of the citizens of your fair town,

We have been told of your hospitality, and we have looked forward to the session with pleasure. I may say, Your Worship, if the hospitality all will receive be a criterion of what we are led to expect we shall cer-

tainly go away with expressions of regret at leaving.

It is equally pleasing to us, sir, to know that Oddfellowship is so prosperous in your town, and that its merits are known and appreciated, that it holds so high and respected a position in your midst, a study of the principles inculcated and carried out will make better men and women. Oddfellowship. Mr. Mayor, is one of the grandest institutions under the sun. I may say, sir, that the Rebekah Branch is the cream of Oddfellowship. To take up all the points in your kindly address would occupy too much time, the field is so large. Our banner bears the motto Friendship, Love and Truth—turning darkness into light, sorrow into joy, and is is those principles we pledge ourselves to labor for. Thanking you again, sir, for your very hearty and candid welcome, trusting that friendships made and received will broaden into great channels for the bettering of our social and moral positions,

I remain, yours faithfully,

JANE LUSCOMBE, President.

Sister Mrs. Dennis read the following address of welcome on behalf of Ivy Rebekah Lodge, No. 26, I.O.O F.:

August 9th, 1898.

To the President, Officers, and Representatives of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario:

DEAR SISTERS,—On behalf of the members of Ivy Rebekah Lodge, No. 26, we welcome you most cordially to our "Manchester of Canada," and hope that your stay among us may be pleasant as well as profitable. Although we cannot offer you the manifold attractions in the way of

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he training e reins of rity of our d, and the reasons, to h is generentertainment which have been given to you in other places where you have met, we will try to make you have such a good time that you will not regret having come here. We highly appreciate the honor of having the Rebekah Assembly meet in our lodge room, and we hope your deliberations here may result in great good to our beloved Order throughout the jurisdiction.

You will no doubt be glad to hear that we have commenced this term very prosperously by initiating six candidates and are looking for a large increase in membership during the present session of the Grand Lodge.

The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, replied to the address from Ivy Rebekah Lodge, No. 26, as follows:

To the Noble Grand, Officers and Members of "Ivy Rebekah Lodge," No. 26:

It is my exceedingly pleasant duty on this occasion, and I assure you a pleasure to me, to thank you on behalf of the members of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, to accept the hospitality and welcome to your town of Galt, situated on the grand river supplying the power that makes it as you say the "Manchester of Canada."

We are all delighted to be with you in your prosperous town, and if it is as you say you have not the attractions others have to offer, still I have the satisfaction of knowing from experience, and which is a pleasure to me, that you have one of the most thriving and prosperous lodges in the Dominion. You say it is an honor to have the Rebekah Assembly on this occasion; we also esteem it an honor and a privilege to be with you.

I notice in your address the prosperity of your lodge. We heartily wish you God speed in the good work you have undertaken, and as sisters and brothers enlisted in the most ennobling case, we wish you every success and prosperity in years to come. You will be pleased, I know, to learn that as years pass along we are steadily and vigorously increasing. We stand to-day an army united of over a million to aid and assist suffering humanity. We are proud to be enlisted in such a noble cause, and we look forward with confidence to a bright future. Anticipating the hospitality you have extended to us on this occasion will be equally blessed by the giver and receiver, and I again on behalf of this Assembly return to you our earnest thanks for your cordial reception.

I remain, most fraternally yours,

JANE LUSCOMBE, President.

The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, then called the Assembly to order.

The Opening Ode was sung and prayer offered by the Chaplain, Sister Mary Pearce, when the Assembly was declared duly opened and ready for business.

The President then appointed the following Committee on Credentials, Sisters M. Waddell, Assembly Secretary, Florence Watson and Annie Clark.

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Sister M. Waddell, from the Committee on Credentials, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly, I.O.O.F.:

We, your Committee on Credentials, having examined the credentials of the following representatives, find them correct, those below named being duly entitled to represent their respective lodges at the present session : London Mrs. Harriett Ferguson. Ruth, 2, Stratford MRS. MAUD E. MOORE. A .. Oshawa, Oshawa. MRS. MINNIE BENNETT. London. MRS. MARY JOHNSON. Windsor. MISS ANNIE VONKAURL. 3, " May Queen, Naomi, .. Our Sisters, WHISGI.

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Toronto Mrs. Mary Leader. " 16, Olive Branch Myrtle, " 17, Elora MRS. ISABEL STREPHENSON.
Bridgeburg MRS. C. S. JACKSON.
North Bay MRS. HATTIE EDDV. Excelsior, " 18, Donalda, " 20, " 23, Inglewood, Waterford Miss NETTIE MUNCE.
Brantford Miss O. M. PATTISON. " 24, Prudence; Alberta, " 25, Kincardine Miss Lizzie Shoebottom.

Galt Mrs. Winnie Bascom. Ivy, " 26. .. MRS. LIZZIE MITCHELL.
Niagara Falls. MRS. JENNIE REID.
Sarnia. MRS. AGGIE McGREGOR. Esther, " 27, Colfax, " 28, MRS. S. WILKINSON. At the Well " 29, Almonte......MISS MAGGIE MCGREGOR.

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Ottawa MRS. EMILY REYNOLDS.
Brockville MISS LILLIAN BRAMLEY. Coila " 32 Maple Leaf " 33 " 34 Olivette Wingham.....MRS. M. TIPLING.
Amherstburg....MRS. LIBBIE TAYLOR. Pansy " Rachel " 36 Toronto Mrs. Sarah Dawson. Justitia " 38 Hamilton MISS ADA ROBINS. Margaret Waubaushene Mrs. Sara Swartman. 39 Hazel " 40 OttawaMrs. Sophia Stephenson. MISS NELLIE ASHER. Florence " 41 Harriston Mrs. Florence Watson.
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Cornwall MRS. JESSIE MCLEOD.
Kingsville MRS. AMELIA PULFORD.
Simcoe MRS. MARY HORBOST. Peachland Ideal Eastern Star Lilly Fern Simcoe......MRS. MARY HORTON.

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Violet	" 52	Otterville MISS MAGGIE MCFARLANE.
Viola	" 53	Toronto Mrs. Sarah E. Smith.
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Ruby	" 56	Mt. ForestMrs. Maud Taylor.
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MAGGIE WADDELL, FLORENCE WATSON ISABEL STEPHENSON.

The Roll of Officers and Representatives was then called, when the following Officers and all the Representatives were present:

Past President.		SISTER	LAURA E. RYAN.
President		i.	JANE LUSCOMBE.
Vice-President		"	ALMA BRILL.
Secretary		**	MAGGIE WADDELL.
Treasurer		"	NELLIE DODSON.
Warden		"	MAGGIE A. PEARCE
Marshall		"	JANE McCALLUM.
Conductor	.,	"	CELINDA WALKER.
Inside Guard		"	M. L. DONAGHY.
Outside Guard		"	ELLEN L. HULL.
Chaplain		"	MARY PEARCE.
Chairman on I	aws	Bro. R.	BROCKBANK.

On proceeding to read the minutes of the last session, the following was adopted, on motion of Sister Nellie Dodson, seconded by Sister Alice Meggs:

Resolved: - That the minutes of last session be adopted as printed.

The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, then appointed the fol lowing Committees:

ON DISTRIBUTION.-Sisters O. M. Pattison, Nan Harvey, Annie Brown, Isabel Stephenson, Maud Moore.

ON ELECTION RETURNS.—Sisters Annie McWaters, Maggie McFarlane, Jane McCallum.

On FINANCE.-Sisters Winnie Bascom, Maude Moore, Sophia Stephenson, Maggie McGregor, Prudence King.
On Legislation.—Sisters Euphemia Burse, Emily Ingles, Mary

Horton, Mary Beirnes.

ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE.—Sisters Annie McWaters, Minnie Bennett, Mary Johnson, Mary Leader, Emily Reynolds.
ON JUDICIARY.—Sisters Hattie Eddy, Lizzie Everett, Annie Brown,

Sara Swartman, Alice Sackrider.

ON STATE OF THE ORDER.—Sisters Amelia Pulford, M. Tipling, Ada Robins, Aggie McGregor, Nellie Munce. ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.—Sisters O. M. Pattison, Jennie Henderson, Harriet Ferguson, Nan Harvey, Sarah Dawson.

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The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, then presented her report which, on motion of Sister Maggie Pearce, seconded by Sister Florence Watson, was referred to Committee on Distribution.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

GALT, Aug. 9th, 1898.

To the Officers, Members and Representatives of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.

Once more, and in the beautiful town of Galt, the Manchester of Canada, we are assembled for the purpose of reviewing the work of the past year and to devise ways and means that may assist us in our future deliberations. One of the great mottoes, one of the first recognized by our Order: In God we trust; let us give thanks to Him who ruleth over all, and ask that His Providential care and blessing may be over all our acts, that we may be guided thoughtfully and carefully to legislate for the future uplifting of our noble Institution. It is my pleasing duty as your presiding officer to welcome you to our annual session. To those who have met with us before and returned to aid us with their experience and to those who are with us for the first time I extend to all a most earnest and cordial welcome. I ask undivided co-operation and assistance in the business to be transacted at this session, trusting that all will render such assistance as may be best in making this session both profitable

STATE OF THE ORDER.

In making a few remarks on the state of the Order, I may say we In making a few remarks on the state or the Order, I may say we have made a substantial and steady progress. The year that is just past and gone is not what you may term a record year, still I have the satisfaction of knowing we are going ahead; and taking into consideration and remembering that a certain amount of depression has existed throughout our jurisdiction. Now for new lodges : we did not institute as many of conjunction. And for new longes, we did not institute as many as last year, but we report four very promising lodges with a membership of nearly two hundred, so I see no reason for complaint. While we would have been pleased to report a more prosperous year, we must not murmur, but press on. I have some very flattering reports from District Deputies that would indicate that we will close a very prosperous year. Several changes were made, one revising the ritual, which seemed to mar the working of some of the lodges who had the ritualistic and unwritten working or some or the looges who had the ritualistic and unwritten work of the old form, but I am pleased to say that the officers are becoming in the different lodges I have had the privilege of visiting, most proficient in the work of the degree, and much pride is manifested by them to have it efficiently done. The membership is reported to be 3,090.

WEAK LODGES.

If some means could be adopted whereby weak lodges could receive more attention we would not have so many dormant lodges or Charters surrendered. Now I am rather at a loss to suggest a remedy without creating too great an expense. I would humbly suggest that the Assembly petition the Grand Lodge and ask that that body would give all possible assistance in our work. A partial remedy was made last session whereby the President might visit or cause to be visited such lodges, during the year, she may deem necessary. I have applied the rule so far that I used up the appropriation of twenty-five dollars and quite a sum besides. While we show a gain as the years go by, still there is a constant drain upon our institution by suspension for non-payment of dues. This alone is the cause of some weak lodges. Lodges are not always weak from necessity but become inactive through members failing to attend the meetings. It is to be regretted that we have to acknowledge that it is so, but the fact remains the same. Now a lodge may be small in number, but if they attend to business they need not be weak.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

While it has been impossible for me to visit all the lodges in my jurisdiction for many reasons, I would have been pleased to have had the privilege of doing so, however. But in order that I might have the privilege of visiting I was presented with a thousand-mile ticket by the following lodges:—At the Well, No. 29; Harriet, No. 44; Donalda, No. 20; Coila, No. 32; Hazel, No. 40; Louise, No. 10. Now I appreciated the loyalty of those lodges and thank them and trust I may have been the means of doing them some good in return. I also visited Olive Branch, No. 16; Viola, No. 53; Justitia, No. 38; Florence, No. 41; Ruby, No. 56; Olivette, No. 34; Lucknow, No. 22; Alberta, No. 25; Ruth, No. 2; Endeavor, No. 57; Our Sisters, No. 7; Carnation, No. 58; Jubilee, No. 13; Rowena, No. 37; Ivy, No. 26; Fern, No. 50; Colfax, No. 28. Now to reach those different lodges, and having arrived home after spending ten weeks in my jurisdiction, I travelled nearly three thousand miles. I was most loyally received by those different lodges, showing their appreciation and loyalty of our noble institution by the honor they showed its President, receiving presentations and addresses from the different lodges, which I prize very much and will ever live in my memory. It was the means of strengthening and encouraging me in my work when I found such devotion. I believe good will result from such visitation, as this was the first time they had the honor of a visit from the President.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence has occupied a great deal of my time and I have answered all as promptly as circumstances would allow, and I may say the work of the President is rapidly increasing, and is more arduous because we have not the up-to-date way of copying our correspondence, which means that I have written two or three copies when the one would have done with the proper means at hand.

INSURANCE.

It is very gratifying to be able to report to you that the Odd-Fellows Relief Association have decided to admit to that institution the Sisters of Rebekah Degree, for insurance. A policy of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) or less may be taken upon complying with the regulations. The assessments are made payable every two months, the amounts of the assessments varying according to the age of the applicant.

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HOME FUND.

I may say in regard to the Home Fund I issued a circular inviting the lodges to remit any funds in their possession which had been collected for the Home to Bro. McCormack to be invested by that Officer so as to draw what interest he might be able to obtain. I considered the pro-Home Committee. Some time afterward this Committee met and organrigid and practically adopted the course suggested in my circular, and appointed Bro. McCormack the treasurer of the Home Fund. Several appointed Bio. Incomment the treasurer of the Archivella Bio. I may say all moneys received from the Rebekah Branch will be kept separate and at the proper time will be at the disposal of the Rebekah Assembly.

It is satisfactory to know that the Odd Fellows' Relief Association of Kingston furnishes to members one of the best means of protection for our families. Its management is economical and reliable, its investments are beyond criticism, its reserve fund steadily increasing, its manner of transacting business simple, its financial condition highly satisfactory and the Association merits and should receive our support, and I have no hesitation in recommending all who can to avail themselves of this

privilege.

FINANCES.

I was somewhat surprised to find that our funds were in such a low condition, and I believe it be in the interests of the Order that economy be exercised in every branch of the work. I have signed the following orders so far this year :-

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DECISIONS.

Can a married lady who was once a Rebekah member but withdrawn from the lodge and married a man not an Odd-fellow, be re-instated?

Can a Rebekah lodge charge more than one dollar for initiation? Yes, but not less

Is a Junior P.N.G. eligible for Representative? Yes.

Which ruling governs—clause 32, page 24 of the Constitution of Rebekah Assembly, or the digest, page 261, clause 956? Would be guided by Constitution.

Can a Brother hold an elective office in a Rebekah Lodge? Yes. Can a Sister who is in good standing in the lodge and who marries a man not an Odd-fellow still retain her membership in the lodge? Yes.

Can a member who desires to make a motion in the lodge and who is unavoidably detained from lodge, send the motion in writing to be read to the lodge? A motion to be properly before the lodge must be regularly moved and seconded and then put by the presiding officer; now the mover being absent, and no other member taking it up it could not be acted upon by the lodge.

Can the members of a degree staff of a Rebekah Lodge give the floor movements in their robes in the presence of the D.D.G.M. and District Committee? If all the said parties still hold membership in the Rebekah

Degree, yes, but not otherwise. Is a ballot necessary for a withdrawal card or dismissal certificate?

Can a lodge suspend its meeting during the summer months? No. Can a lady travelling and who lives in Toronto join a lodge elsewhere? No.

INSTITUTING NEW LODGES.

The following Lodges have been instituted during my official year: Endeavor Lodge, No. 57, Forest, November 2nd, 1897, instituted by Sister Jane Luscombe, President of the Assembly, assisted by Bro. John Gibson, P.G.M. and the staff of Colfax Lodge, No. 28, Sarnia. Officers installed: Sister Tripp, N.G.; Sister Steele, V.G.; Sister Fulcher, R.S.; Sister Steel, V.G.; Sister Fulcher, R.S.; Carnation Lodge, No. 58, Wallaceburg, Dec. 16th, 1897. Instituted

by Sister Jane Luscombe, President, assisted by Grand Master Bro. James A. Young and the staff of Colfax Lodge, No. 28, Sarnia. Officers installed: Sister Stephens, N.G.; Sister McGregor, V.G.; Sister Allen,

R.S.; Sister Pringle, F.S.; Sister McDongal, Treasurer.

Primrose Lodge, No. 59, Dundas, April 15th, 1898. Instituted by the Grand Master, Bro. James A. Young; assisted by the President, Sister Jane Luscombe and the staff of Justitia, No. 38, Hamilton. Sister Rutherford, N.G.; Sister Woodhouse, V.G.; Bro. Knowles, R.S.; Bro. Woodhouse, F.S.; Sister Lees, Treasurer.

Triple Link Lodge, No. 60, Petrolia, August 4th, 1898. Instituted by the President, Sister Luscombe, assisted by Grand Master J. A. Young and Past Grand Master John Gibson with the staff of Colfax Lodge, No. 28, Sarnia. Officers installed: Sister McCann, N.G.; Sister Matthews, V.G.; Sister McRitchie, R.S.; Bro. Draper, F.S.; Sister Rosebud, Treasurer.

The following D.D.G.M.'s were appointed by the Grand Master, Bro. Jas. A. Young, to preside over the new lodges: Bro. Findlay Chalk, Forest; Bro. Dr. Mitchell, Wallaceburg; Sister Stoddard, Hamilton; Bro.

Several places have signified their intention of opening a Rebekah Lodge very soon, viz.; Norwich, Chesley, Stirling, Markham, Ayr, Pembroke, Morrisburg, Dickenson's Landing, Amprior. I am looking forward to a rich harvest in the near future.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES.

According to custom I made the following appointments:—Committee on Laws—Bro. Brockbank, Sister Waddell, Sister Ryan. Committee on Laws—Bro. Brockbank, Sister Waddell, Sister Ryan. mittee on Printing and Supplies-Sister Waddell, Sister Brill, Sister Dod son. Auditor-Bro. Brockbank.

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I issued a circular in October to the different lodges asking them to be diligent and prompt and make every laudable effort in the good work, and \underline{I} do trust good results will follow.

The following are the names of the deputies who have reported to me: At the Well, No. 29, Sister McCallum; Aberdeen, No. 30, Sister McMaster; Naomi, No. 6, Sister Edgar; Woodsley, No. 55, Sister Edgar; Olive Branch, No. 16, Sister Edgar; Woodsley, No. 55, Sister Edgar; Olive Branch, No. 16, Sister Leader; Rachel, No. 36, Sister Leader; Viola, No. 53, Sister Leader; Edna, No. 14, Sister Brown; Ivy, No. 26, Sister Bascom; Beatrice, No. 12, Sister Bascom; Oueen, No. 54, Sister Bascom; Myrtle, No. 17, Sister Webson; Louise, No. 10, Sister McWater; Jubilee, No. 13, Sister Dodson; Endeavor, No. 57, Bro. Chalk; Victoria, No. 1, Sister Ferguson; May Queen, No. 5, Sister Ferguson; Ruth, No. 2, Bro. Perry; Donaldo, No. 20, Sister Eddy; Margaret, No. 39, Sister Betts; Oshawa, No. 3, Sister Dickie; Maple Leaf, No. 33, Bro. Coates; Rose, No. 43, Sister Sackrider; Colfax, No. 28, Sister McMategar; Colia, No. 32, Sister Stephenson; Hazel, No. 40, Sister Stephenson; Florence, No. 41, Sister Watson; Ruby No. 56, Sister Watson; Prudence, No. 24, Sister Patterson; Pansy, No. 35, Sister Taylor; Carnation, No. 58, Bro. Mitchell; Alberta, No. 27, Violet, No. 53.

ena, No. 37; Violet, No. 53.

It is to be regretted that a number of D.D.G.M's do not get more conversant with their commission and the duties enjoined.

The official receipt for dues, I am pleased to report, has been reduced to one dollar per hundred, but I find very many lodges not using them as yet. An appropriate day, the 20th of September, is, by resolution of Sovereign Grand Lodge, to be recognized as the anniversary of the Institution of the Rebekah Degree, and that it be celebrated annually by proper and appropriate ceremonies.

I accepted an invitation from Oak Leaf Lodge, Port Huron, Mich., on May 9th, 1898, to meet the President of the Rebekah Assembly of Michigan, and spent a pleasant and profitable time and was most hospitably entertained; these fraternal visits are the means of doing good by the friendly interchange of ideas and modes of working.

Thad a school of instruction in every lodge visited and addressed eight public meetings and trust some good may result. At each meeting the members were enthusiastic and alive to the interests of the Order. If more lodges would hold public meetings I believe the results would prove most favorable. Owing to the resignation of Sister Stoddard, N.G., I appointed Sister Donaghy.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I found in my visitation that very few lodges had By-laws, and would suggest a uniform code of By-laws and Constitution be prepared by the Assembly and sold to the lodges. I believe it would be cheaper than each lodge having its own printed, that a page be reserved for In Memoriam for the Rebekah Branch in our JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS. The membership is reported to be nearly three thousand two hundred. It is to be regretted that the secretaries of the lodges are so dilatory in sending their reports to Sister Waddell, causing much inconvenience. I would recommend that some way or means be adopted whereby weak lodges can be advised and encouraged by some one appointed, whose duties will be defined in that direction by the Assembly. That all questions requiring official answers from the President be sent direct to that officer; un-

necessary writing and delay has been caused by the members or officers doing otherwise.

THANKS.

I am greatly indebted to Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, for his untiring promptness in giving counsel and advice when requested, also to Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary, and I desire to convey my warmest thanks to all the Sisters and Brothers for the utmost kindness I have received at their hands during my term of office. I also appreciate the kindness and service rendered me by our worthy Brother, John Gibson, Past Grand Master.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, the time is near at hand when it will be my duty to surrender this office to my successor. And now Sisters and Brothers, my work for the year is before you, and I have no apology to offer, as I have tried faithfully and honestly to perform the duties assigned me for the best interest and advancement of our beloved Order. Friendships formed and experiences gained will be most valuable acquisitions of my life, but the memory of your confidence and kindness has helped me, and if I have succeeded in uplifting the banner of friendship, love and truth, I shall feel amply repaid, and I desire for my successor the same loyal support you have accorded me; and to-day as we cast a backward glance we seem to realize that we have had more triumphs than defeats, more pleasures than sorrows. Let us maintain within our ranks the friendship David had for Jonathan, the love Ruth bore for Naomi and the truth that, like a star in the firmament above, lightens our pathway through the darkest gloom. With these virtues as an altar of worship by day and as an incense of prayer by night, we shall stand as an efficient arm of an organization whose creed is written in letters of burnished gold:—Visit the sick, relieve the distressed, bury the dead and educate the orphan. We live in deeds, not words; on thoughts, not breath; in actions, not in figures on the dial. We should count life by heart throbs when they beat for man, for God, for duty. He lives best who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best.

> Yours most fraternally JANE LUSCOMBE,

President.

LETTER SENT.

Jas. A. Young, Esq., Grand Master I.O.O.F., Thamesford, Ont.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER :- On behalf of the Rebekah Assembly, I.O.O.F., of Ontario, we desire to convey to you our earnest sympathy and sincere condolence in your great bereavement. We feel and know your loss is irreparable, but we trust your deep sorrow and affliction may be somewhat mitigated by the knowledge that you have the heartfelt sympathy of every member, that you may be strengthened by the hand of Him who doeth all things well, and that we may all meet at last in the Grand Lodge above, where sorrow is no more

Signed on behalf of the Rebekah Assembly, I.O.O.F.

JANE LUSCOMBE, President. M. WADDELL, Secretary.

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Sister Maggie Waddell, Assembly Secretary, then read her annual report, which, on motion of Sister Maude Moore, seconded by Sister Nan Harvey, was referred to Committee on Distribution.

GALT, AUGUST 9th, 1898.

To the Officers and Members of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario:

There is no power on earth that can fetter the sweeping pinions of Time or stay his flight for one moment, and so to-day we are brought face to face with the fact that another year lies dead before us. The short period of weeks and months has passed rapidly away. We have assembled once again to deliberate, to plan, to advise with one another as to the best means of promoting the still further advancement of our noble

It affords me a great deal of pleasure to welcome you, one and all, to this, the Eighth Annual Session of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario. I see before me those who have been with us from the beginning, tried and true, who have enjoyed our triumphs and sustained defeats together. With joyous heart I welcome, not only those faces which have grown so lovingly familiar, but those who for the first time meet with us. A hearty welcome permit me to extend, and with it the hope and trust that, hearty wercome permit me to extend, and with it the nope and trust that, realizing the importance of the meeting, you will not cease to remember that it is the pest work in which we are engaged. Let each and every one therefore be on the alert to take advantage of all instructions and information possible, so that the lodges here represented may receive benefit and be improved thereby through your valuable assistance.

The several duties imposed upon your Secretary by resolution and by Constitution have been performed with all the promptness possible.

As speedily as possible the Minutes of the Session of 1897 were compiled and issued as directed by the Assembly.

There was also a copy of the proceedings of the Sovereign Grand Lodge Session mailed to each lodge.

I have sent out the usual circulars. While I have done all I could under existing circumstances, and while I do not expect to escape criticism, I can say in truth that I have endeavored to acquit myself in all duties devolving upon me, and where I have failed, I trust you will be generous and forgiving.

I have labored under many disadvantages and many discouragements that would be impossible to relate in this report

I have received and answered many letters to the best of my ability, and with as much promptness as circumstances permitted. One thing greatly to be deplored is the negligence of officers in their correspondence. I am sorry to say that sometimes it is next to impossible to get an answer to letters. In some instances I have written repeatedly, and to this day have received no answer. If the Secretaries could be made to realize the importance to the writer, of letters asking for information that can be had in no other way, much annoyance and hindrance would be avoided.

REBEKAH LODGES INSTITUTED.

I have the pleasure of reporting the institution of three new lodges, namely, Endeavor Lodge, No. 57, Forest, instituted by our worthy President, Sister Jane Luscombe, November 2nd, 1897; Carnation Lodge, No.

58, Wallaceburg, instituted by our worthy President, Sister Jane Luscombe, December 2nd, 1897; Primrose Lodge, No. 59, Dundas, instituted by our worthy Grand Master, Bro. J. A. Young, April 15th, 1898. And while we may not boast of the long list I notice in the reports from other States, yet we are rightfully able to boast of a remarkably small number of surrendered Charters in the history of the Order in Ontario. Slowly and with the greatest care and forethought have our lodges been given us, but they have been made with a view to permanency.

SURRENDERED CHARTERS.

Hebron Lodge, No. 31, York, handed over its Charter and effects December 31st, 1897. This lodge was instituted Oct. 4th, 1893, under very favorable circumstances, but shortly after its institution there was a general exodus of its members, and the Brothers and Sisters left seem to have lost heart and finally surrendered as before stated.

The following gives a concise form of the present standing of the Rebekah Lodges of Ontario :

Victoria, No. 1, London had at last report 8 Brothers, 19 Sisters. Total, 27. Assets were \$74.06. Present membership, 10 Brothers, 23 Sisters. Total, 23; increase 6. Present assets, \$76.77.

Ruth, No. 2, Stratford, had at last report 25 Brothers, 45 Sisters. Total, 70. Assets were \$27.04. Present membership, 35 Brothers, 60 Sisters. Total, 95; increase 25. Present assets, \$63.11.

Oshawa, No. 3, had at last report, 10 Brothers, 28 Sisters. Total, 38. Assets were \$216.05. Present membership, 8 Brothers, 27 Sisters. Total, 35; decrease, 3. Present assets, \$230.53.

May Queen, No. 5, had at last report 17 Brothers, 46 Sisters. Total, 63. Assets were \$202.25. Present membership, 13 Brothers 42 Sisters. Total, 55; decrease, 8. Present assets, \$245.27.

Naomi, No. 6, had at last report 31 Brothers, 70 Sisters. Total 101. Assets were \$826.06. Present membership, 24 Brothers, 69 Sisters. Total, 93; decrease, 8. Present assets, \$838.92.

Our Sisters, No. 7, had at last report 19 Brothers, 36 Sisters. Total, 55. Assets were \$38.73. Present membership, 19 Brothers, 39 Sisters. Total, 58; increase, 3. Present assets, \$45.96.

Louise, No. 10, had at last report 62 Brothers, 41 Sisters. Total, 103. Assets were \$401.98. Present membership, 47 Brothers, 38 Sisters. Total, 85; decrease, 18. Present assets, \$424.61.

Beatrice, No. 12, had at last report 48 Brothers, 53 Sisters. Total, 101. Assets were \$260.91. Present membership, 30 Brothers, 40 Sisters. Total, 70; decrease, 31. Present assets, \$255.51.

Jubilee, No. 13, had at last report 4 Brothers, 7 Sisters. Total, 11.
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Harmony, No. 15, had at last report 12 Brothers, 54 Sisters. Total, 66. Assets were \$379.21. Present membership, 12 Brothers, 44 Sisters. Total, 56; decrease, 10. Present assets, \$394.24.

Olive Branch, No. 16, had at last report 71 Brothers, 69 Sisters. Total, 140. Assets \$340.38. Present membership, 76 Brothers, 77 Sisters. Total, 153; increase 13. Present assets, \$319.82.

Myrtle, No. 17, had at last report 7 Brothers, 13 Sisters. Total 20. Assets were \$80.42. Present membership, 4 Brothers, 15 Sisters. Total, 19; decrease, 1. Present assets, \$103.14.

Excelsior, No. 18, had at last report 18 Brothers, 39 Sisters. Total, 57. Assets were \$681.88. Present membership 17 Brothers, 35 Sisters. Total, 52; decrease, 5. Present assets, \$570.00.

Mizpah, No. 19, had at last report 22 Brothers, 23 Sisters. Total, 45. Assets were \$15.02. Present report not yet in.

Donalda, No. 20, had at last report 16 Brothers, 20 Sisters. Total, 36. Assets were \$17.80. Present membership, 9 Brothers, 12 Sisters. Total, 21; decrease, 15. Present assets, \$18.15.

Flora, No. 21, had at last report 11 Brothers, 8 Sisters. Total, 19. Assets were \$73.41. Present report not yet in.

Lucknow, No. 22, had at last report 23 Brothers, 27 Sisters. Total, 50. Assets were \$52.77. Present report not yet in.

Inglewood, No. 23, had at last report 9 Brothers, 13 Sisters. Total, 22. Assets were \$28.37. Present membership, 7 Brothers, 10 Sisters. Total, 17; decrease, 5. Present assets, \$14.86.

Prudence, No. 24, had at last report 18 Brothers, 43 Sisters. Total, 61. Assets were \$60.86. Present membership, 17 Brothers, 46 Sisters. Total, 63; increase, 2. Present assets, \$55.23.

Alberta, No. 25, had at last report 21 Brothers, 31 Sisters. Total, 52. Assets were \$6.41. Present membership, 25 Brothers, 29 Sisters. Total, 54; increase, 2. Present assets, \$5.68.

Ivy, No. 26, had at last report 62 Brothers, 64 Sisters. Total, 126. Assets were \$331.67. Present membership, 56 Brothers, 65 Sisters. Total, 121; decrease, 5. Present assets, \$391.31.

Esther, No. 27, had at last report 31 Brothers, 37 Sisters. Total, 68. Assets were \$10.00.* Present membership, 35 Brothers, 40 Sisters. Total, 75; increase, 7. Present assets, \$39.41.

Colfax, No. 28, had at last report 91 Brothers, 52 Sisters. Total, 143. Assets were \$19.93. Present membership, 66 Brothers, 54 Sisters. Total, 120; decrease, 23. Present assets, \$4.86.

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Aberdeen, No. 30, had at last report 39 Brothers, 45 Sisters. Total, 84. Assets were \$36.08. Present membership, 81 Brothers, 55 Sisters. Total, 136; increase, 52. Present assets, \$20.03.

Heborn, No. 31, had at last report 14 Brothers, 6 Sisters. Total, 20. Assets were \$25.67. They have since surrendered their charter.

Coila, No. 32, had at last report 50 Brothers, 34 Sisters. Total, 84. Assets were \$29.49. Present membership, 32 Brothers, 34 Sisters. Total, 66; decrease, 18. Present assets, \$3.91.

Maple Leaf, No. 33, had at last report 28 Brothers, 39 Sisters* Total, 67. Assets were \$25.13. Present membership, 24 Brothers, 36 Sisters. Total, 60; decrease, 7. Present assets, \$25.10.

Olivette, No. 34, had at last report 17 Brothers, 16 Sisters. Total, 33. Assets were \$11.60. Present membership, 12 Brothers, 14 Sisters. Total, 26; decrease, 7. Present assets, \$11.14.

Pansy, No. 35, had at last report 34 Brothers, 43 Sisters. Total, 77. Assets were \$18.47. Present membership, 24 Brothers, 28 Sisters. Total, 52; decrease 25. Present assets, \$21.46.

Rachel, No. 36, had at last report 15 Brothers, 19 Sisters. Total, 34. Assets were \$21.65. Present membership, 13 Brothers, 12 Sisters. Total, 25; decrease, 9. Present assets, \$23.00.

Rowena, No. 37, had at last report 7 Brothers, 24 Sisters. Total, 31. Assets were \$35.31. Present report not yet in.

Justitia, No. 38, had at last report 54 Brothers, 34 Sisters. Total, 88. Assets were \$30.26. Present membership, 57 Brothers, 38 Sisters. Total, 95; increase, 7. Present assets, \$30.01.

Margaret, No. 39, had at last report 28 Brothers, 41 Sisters. Total, 69. Assets were \$32.36. Present membership, 28 Brothers, 42 Sisters. Total, 70; increase, 1. Present assets, \$37.22.

Hazel, No. 40, had at last report 43 Brothers, 57 Sisters. Total, 100. Assets were \$94.45. Present membership, 48 Brothers, 59 Sisters. Total, 107; increase, 7. Present assets, \$38.68.

Florence, No. 41, had at last report 20 Brothers, 37 Sisters. Total, 57. Assets were \$14.28. Present membership, 12 Brothers, 29 Sisters. Total, 41; decrease, 16. Present assets, \$4.51.

Pandora, No. 42, had at last report 32 Brothers, 33 Sisters. Total, 65. Assets were \$48.76. Present membership, 16 Brothers, 26 Sisters. Total, 42; decrease, 23. Present assets, \$52.13.

Rose, No. 43, had at last report 30 Brothers, 38 Sisters. Total, 68. Assets were \$15.30. Present membership, 22 Brothers, 33 Sisters. Total, 55; decrease, 13. Present assets, \$29.29.

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Peachland, No. 45, had at last report 16 Brothers, 25 Sisters. Total, 41. Assets were \$24,21. Present membership, 16 Brothers, 19 Sisters. Total, 35; decrease, 6. Present assets, \$5.59.

Ideal, No. 47, had at last report 20 Brothers, 22 Sisters. Total, 42. Assets were \$22.70. Present membership, 14 Brothers, 21 Sisters. Total, 35; decrease, 7. Present assets, \$15.50.

Eastern Star, No. 48, had at last report 35 Brothers, 28 Sisters. Total, 63. Assets were \$18.42. Present membership, 32 Brothers, 33 Sisters. Total, 65; increase, 2. Present assets, \$55.16.

Lily, No. 49, had at last report 21 Brothers, 27 Sisters. Total, 48, Assets were \$9.72. Present membership, 17 Brothers, 25 Sisters. Total, 42; decrease, 6. Present assets, \$8.81.

Fern, No. 50, had at last report 11 Brothers, 18 Sisters. Total, 29. Assets were \$13.18. Present membership, 18 Brothers, 25 Sisters. Total, 43; increase, 14. Present assets, \$32.17.

Thamesville, No. 51, had at last report 22 Brothers, 16 Sisters. Total, 38. Assets were \$22.74. Present membership, 30 Brothers, 23 Sisters. Total, 53; increase, 15. Present assets, \$67.35.

Violet, No. 52, had at last report 28 Brothers, 31 Sisters. Total, 59. Assets were \$30.59. Present membership, 31 Brothers, 38 Sisters. Total, 69; increase, 10. Present assets, \$40.90.

Viola, No. 53, had at last report 19 Brothers, 33 Sisters. Total, 52. Assets were \$8.70. Present membership, 30 Brothers, 62 Sisters. Total, 92; increase, 40.

Queen, No. 54, had at last report 11 Brothers, 25 Sisters. Total 36. Assets were \$6.26. Present membership, 8 Brothers, 27 Sisters. Total, 35; decrease, 1. Present assets, \$4.72.

Woodslee, No. 55, had at last report 6 Brothers, 11 Sisters. Total, 17. Assets were \$12.80. Present membership, 8 Brothers, 23 Sisters. Total, 31; increase, 14. Present assets, \$42.84.

Ruby, No. 56, had at last report 14 Brothers, 13 Sisters. Total, 27. Assets were \$7.00. Present membership, 22 Brothers, 34 Sisters. Total, 56; increase, 29. Present assets, \$9.99.

Endeavor, No. 57, Forest, instituted November 2nd, 1897. Present membership, 16 Brothers, 17 Sisters. Total, 33. Present assets, \$1.60.

Carnation, No. 58, Wallaceburg, instituted December 16th, 1897. Present membership, 24 Brothers, 46 Sisters. Total, 70. Present assets, \$15,21.

Primrose, No. 59, Dundas, instituted April 15th, 1898. Present membership, 14 Brothers, 13 Sisters. Total, 27. Present assets, \$11.80.

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Copy from abstract reads as follows:
Admitted during the six months ending June 30th, 1898: Brothers,
90; Sisters, 150; total, 240.
Died: I Brother, 3 Sisters; total, 4.
Ceased: 106 Brothers, 99 Sisters; total, 205.
Membership last report, 1,335 Brothers, 1,666 Sisters; total, 3,001.
Present membership, 1,300 Brothers, 1,790 Sisters; total, 3,000; net

RECEIPTS.

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All of which has been handed over to our worthy Treasurer, Sister Nellie Dodson.

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During the year I have received for the Home Fund the following moneys which I forwarded to Brother McCormack, Treasurer of the Home Fund, Toronto:

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	April 2nd, Pansy, No. 35	5 00
	June 14th, Inglewood, No. 23	18 00
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I understand that several lodges have raised money for this purpose and are retaining it in their own possession until such time as it will be needed. I sincerely hope that Sisters Ryan and Lee, our Home Committee, will give us such a report that we will see in the near future the culmination of our hopes and desires, a Grand Home for the Odd Fellows' Widows and Orphans.

There is a magic sound in the words "The Home" that should inspire every true Rebekah in a way that no other expression inspires her, for it reaches the very fountain-head of our aims and objects, and for its success we should bend every effort, exercising every care. And indeed, what nobler or grander principle than that of educating and training can be found! A labor that is enhanced a hundred fold when that education and training would be given to the orphans of our Brothers and Sisters who from on high are reading the great Book upon which is written the record of our every act.

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Through the length and breadth of the land the question of a Home for the orphan children is being discussed, and I hope the time is not far distant when Ontario will have such an institution. The question is now agitating the minds of the individual members of the Order. We hope that our Committee will be able to tell us that at this session of the Grand Lodge a place will be decided upon. The need of such an institution is fully recognized, and it must and will be built. In fact money is already being subscribed for that purpose. This subject is so full of sentiment and is worthy of such consideration that I cannot close without expressing the hope that every Rebekah Lodge in this jurisdiction will take some definite action looking to the erection of a Home for Ontario. At our last Session, held at Belleville, the case of Sister Sarah

Johns, London, Ont., who applied to be admitted to this Assembly as a Past Noble Grand, was disposed of by the President, Sister L. E. Ryan, deciding that the evidence was not sufficient to warrant her receiving the honors of P.N.G., and the Assembly sustained the President in her decision to take no further action in the matter.

On or about January 20th, 1898, Sister Sarah Johns appealed from the decision of the Assembly, to Grand Master Voung. He took up the case, and after a toilsome search and a great deal of correspondence with Grand Secretary, James R. Miller, of Illinois, succeeded in tracing up the record. I here quote the Grand Master's letter to me on the matter as follows:

April 11th, "I am glad to tell you I have received a certificate from the Grand Lodge of Illinois, certifying that Sister Sarah Johns was a member of Crescent Rebekah Lodge, No. 100, located at Plano, Ill., and is now entitled to the honors of Past Noble Grand, such lodge now being defunct." This certificate of rank and standing is issued from the records filed in said Grand Lodge. The same certificate bears the seal of the Grand Lodge of Illinois and is duly signed by James R. Miller, Grand Secretary.

REBEKAH DECISIONS OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, I.O.O.F.

49. Q.—Is the wife of an Odd Fellow who is but sixteen or seventeen years of age, eligible for membership in a Rebekah Lodge?

A.—White women, without regard to age, who are wives of Odd Fellows in good standing are eligible to membership in Rebekah Lodges, subject to the laws relative to residence of the Sovereign Grand Lodge and the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction in which the application is made.

50. Q .- How many black balls are required to reject an applicant for membership in a Rebekah Lodge?

A.—Three black balls and no more shall be required to reject an application for membership in a Rebekah Lodge.

51. Q.-Must the Secretary and President of the Rebekah State Assembly make a report direct to the Grand Master of the condition

of the Rebekah Lodges?
A.—All Rebekah Lodges, unless by term of Charter granted to the Rebekah Assembly it is otherwise provided, must make annual returns to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge. And in jurisdictions where by terms of Charter granted to the Rebekah Assembly, it is provided 52. Q.—Can the staff of Rebekah Lodges have their photographs

taken in their robes and costumes, for their own use?

A.—A Rebekah Lodge cannot legally have their photographs taken in their robes and costumes used in conferring the Degree, for their own use.

53. Q.-Does Section 10 of the Rebekah Code as amended do away with Section 1175 of White's Digest of 1895, or what is the standing of a brother in a Rebekah Lodge who is suspended for non-payment of dues or for cause in the subordinate lodge?

A.-175 White's Digest remains in force, and a brother's standing in a Rebekah Lodge depends on his continued good standing in a subordinate lodge; in good standing except in case of a brother holding a withdrawal card in date, his membership in a Rebekah Lodge is not affected thereby, provided he keeps his dues in the Rebekah Lodge paid for one year from date of withdrawal card.

54. Q.-Can subordinate jurisdictions still authorize their Rebekah Lodges to set aside 5 per cent. of the receipts for dues, for contingent fund, notwithstanding the 34th Section of the code for Rebekah Lodges? A.—Yes, they can.

55. Q.-How should the Annual Pass Word be given in a Rebekah Lodge-as per Rebekah Ritual, or after the candidate has signed the Constitution

A.—The Annual Pass Word is given by the Noble Grand of a Rebekah Lodge to the candidate in the course of instruction, prior to signing the Constitution.

56. Q.—A member of a Rebekah Lodge was tried and suspended for two years; she appealed to the Grand Lodge, and while the appeal was still pending and before the session of the Grand Lodge, charges were preferred against her on some matters growing out of the previous trans-action, but she paid no attention to the said charges, and the lodge thereupon expelled her for contempt. Shortly after, the Grand Lodge reinstated her on the first charge, but the lodge refuses to permit her attendance, and claims she was expelled on the second charge. Was the action of the lodge in refusing to reinstate her legal?

A.—On authority of Section 1611, 1612 and 1613, White's Digest, 1895, the action of the lodge was legal.

57. Q.—The Constitution of a Rebekah Assembly provides for the election of Noble Grand, Vice Grand Secretary, Treasurer and Financial Secretary by Rebekah Lodges. Is not this provision of the Constitution, requiring the election of a Financial Secretary, in conflict with the laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge in 1895?

A.—Yes, it is the law of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, provided that the officers of the Rebekah Lodge shall be Noble Grand, Vice Grand, a Secretary, a Financial Secretary, if necessary; the legislation of the

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58. Q.—Is the following portion of the above constitution legal, to wit: They have fully exemplified the unwritten work of the Rebekah Degree in open lodge, inasmuch as the ritual of the Rebekah Degree Lodges directs, through the Noble Grand, the candidate-elect to retire? Further, could the D.D.G. President or other installing officers insist or compel the Noble Grand and Vice Grand of a Rebekah Lodge to exemplify the unwritten work in own lodge sitted before a direct the compel the Noble Grand and Vice Grand of a Rebekah Lodge to exemplify the unwritten work in own lodge sitted before a direct three compels of the compels of t plify the unwritten work in open lodge either before or during the cere-

A.—Yes, such section of the Constitution is legal. See article 1835, White's Digest, Edition 1895.

59. Q.—Under Section 33 of the Code of Rebekah Lodges, do the laws digested in Sections 726 and 727 specially apply to Rebekah Lodges? A.—Sections 726 and 727 of Digest apply to applicant for reinstatement in Rebekah Lodges as well as it does in Subordinate—Section 33 specially stating that all the laws, rules and regulations of the Sovereign Grand Lodge now in force or that may hereafter be adopted for the government of Subordinate Grand Jurisdictions, or that in any way affect the rights of individual members, are made to apply where applicable in all their of individual members, are made to apply where applicable in all their of Rebekah. As no specific provision is made in the Code for reinstatement, the general law as found in the section of the Digest referred to

60. Q.—What regalia should a brother of the Rebekah Lodge wear in a Rebekah Lodge?

A .- Where the Rebekah Code, Section 25, states that Brothers should wear the regalia that they are entitled to wear in the Subordinate Lodge, it must be construed to refer to those brothers who do not hold office in the Rebekah Lodge. Section 1218, Digest, 1895, states that an encampment member may wear his encampment regalia when sitting in his own lodge, unless he is an officer, in which case he must wear the regalia of his office. Hence, when anyone is elected to office in a Rebekah Lodge, male or female, they must wear the regalia of that office, as provided

61. Q.—Has the Grand Lodge, under the Rebekah Code, any authority to authorize the existence of any other Grand Body than the assembly?

62. Q.—Under Section 24, Rebekah Code, revised 1896, can we re-

quire lodges to vote yes or no?

A.—Section 24 of Rebekah Code as amended, provides in all cases, except such as are specially stated shall be by ballot, shall be viva voce, A.—Yes, unless he is an officer in the Rebekah Lodge; in which case he must wear the regalia of his office, as prescribed in Section 25 of Rebekah Code.

64. Q.—Can a Brother holding a withdrawal card from a Subordinate and Rebekah, join a Rebekah by deposit of card without first having renewed his membership in a Subordinate Lodge?

A.—He can not. He must be a member of a Subordinate Lodge. A brother holding a withdrawal card is a member of the Order, not of a lodge.

THE NEW RITUALS.

The changes in the Ritual have been the cause of a great deal of correspondence. Like all changes, these called forth more or less criticism, and undoubtedly this was only what might have been expected. I notified all lodges that the Sovereign Grand Lodge had revised the Ritual, and that the Ritual of 1896 would be exchanged free of cost. Nearly all the lodges have made the exchange. The revision is not a radical one, but in places the language was changed—made harmonious—and some parts stricken out entirely and new matter introduced. After the Lodges become accustomed to the new order of things, I am confident that you will find the new Ritual all that could be desired, and I hope that those who are not in possession of them will make the exchange at once.

The official certificate, about which so much has been said on all sides, has been changed, and the price reduced to one dollar per hundred, a change which should be appreciated by all. I would urge the delegates to notify their lodges that the money for supplies must accompany the order. I have been very lenient in this matter, but I believe it is time the lodges understood that the profits on supplies to the Assembly are too small to warrant the expenditure of postage to collect small bills, which I have had to do in several cases.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

That since the Sovereign Grand Lodge at its last Annual Session granted power to Grand Lodges to permit the Presidents of Rebekah Assemblies to appoint the District Deputies for Rebekah Lodges, the Rebekah Assembly respectfully petition the Grand Lodge of Ontario to grant such permission to the President of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, such in its opinion being the best interests of the Order; that hereafter the Assembly proceedings contain a picture of the retiring President, also a picture of one of the Past Presidents, commencing with the first President, until the pictures of all the Presidents are secured.

ANNIVERSARY.

Quite a little interest is manifested in the anniversary of the adoption of the Rebekah Degree, which occurred on September 21st, 1851. It seems to me that the day might be celebrated by the Rebekahs to good advantage. Others celebrate their Natal Day, why should not we? I would recommend that we adopt this day, September 20th, as our Natal

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I would also recommend that the Assembly ask the Grand Lodge to instruct their representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge to consider the advisability of asking that the Rebekah Assembly may be represented

in that honorable body.

No one is so well qualified to judge the nature of the law that is best suited to their need as those who are to be controlled by them. We recognize that the Sovereign Grand Lodge, from which all laws governing this Order emanate, desire that those for whom they are intendedshall be

Believing that the Rebekahs are the best informed as to what legislation is needed and desired, and should therefore be permitted to be heard before questions affecting their existence are determined upon; therefore, I would recommend that this Assembly petition the Sovereign Grand Lodge through its representatives of this jurisdiction, to set apart a portion of each Annual Session for the consideration of Rebekah legislation, at which time such representatives as it may deem proper to admit from the several State Assemblies may be permitted to be present and take part on the floor of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, in consideration of such Rebekah legislation.

The following resolutions were represented to the Grand Lodge of The following resolutions were represented.

Ontario at its last Session by this Rebekah Assembly, and acted upon by

that honorable body, to-wit:

That the Grand Lodge be requested to refund the sum of \$21.25, that being the amount of loss to the Assembly in exchanging the old rituals for new ones, which was referred to the Financial Committee, which

This Grand Body is not responsible for the change in the Ritual and should not be asked to shoulder any loss resulting therefrom.

This report was adopted.

Also that the Charter fees of the six new and revised lodges, amounting to \$30.00, be returned, was referred to same Committee, who reported as

We recommend the granting of this request, and that in future the Charter Fee for new Rebekah Lodges be paid over to the Secretary of the Rebekah Assembly

This report was adopted.

It was also resolved that the proceedings of the Rebekah Assembly be printed in the JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS of the Grand Lodge of On-

The following was laid over to be considered at the next Session of the Grand Lodge

Whereas, the Constitution of the Assembly does not provide for Past Presidents of the Convention to be members of the Assembly the same as Past Presidents of the Assembly, therefore, we recommend that the Constitution be changed to read, "Past Presidents of the Convention and of

I am pleased to inform you that the matter of admitting the Sisters of the Rebekah Degree to the Odd Fellows' Relief Association has been decided upon favorably. The matter came up before that honorably

body at its last Session, Wednesday, July the 20th, and it was decided: 1.—To admit the Rebekahs to membership.

2.—To require from them as rigid a medical examination as from the members of Subordinate Lodges.

 To limit the benefit to \$1,000.
 To require the applicants with children, to name such children as their beneficiaries.

This information has been communicated to me by Brother Meek, Secretary, in advance of the published report, in order to lay it before the Assembly, and through you before the several lodges that you have the honor to represent.

STATE OF THE ORDER.

As year after year passes I see the Rebekah Branch of the Order show more of an increase in other jurisdictions than ours. Dear Sisters, will you make a step forward and put your shoulder to the wheel and start it moving upward and onward in our own fair Dominion? It has been made possible by the legislytion enacted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, that all unmarried ladies over the age of 18 years, of good moral character, can become members of a Rebekah Lodge. Therefore we think it ter, can become memoers of a Rebekah Lodge at almost any point where there is a Subordinate Lodge established. Hence we hope this may be a year of great prosperity in Ontario. Will you kindly take the matter in hand and try to organize a Rebekah Lodge at all points where there is a Subordinate Lodge? Also where there are Rebekah Lodges that are not actively at work on account of not having the proper nourishment. We trust that you will take the matter in hand, start them anew, give vigor and life to weather the storm, and we have no doubt that by so doing the Subordinate Lodges will reap benefits thereby which they would not otherwise enjoy.

IN CONCLUSION.

When I realize this is the Eighth Session that I have served you as Secretary of this Assembly, so many thoughts rush in upon me of the unvarying courtesy, the acts of kindness, fidelity and encouragement shown me by the members of the Order from the very first of my life as a Rebekah, that words fail to express the feeling of gratitude that arises within me

Never in vain have I appealed to those whose advice I have sought. I wish here to express my thanks to Brother King, Grand Secretary, who has always been considerate, loyal and true. Brother Young, Grand Master, I especially thank, who has amid the manifold duties of his own office always been ready to aid and assist in everything pertaining to the welfare of the Rebekah Degree. To our worthy President who has mani-fested her interest in our order by such untiring zeal, in bearing the dis-comforts attending upon travel during the past winter that she might visit our lodges, and has there spoken such words of encouragement and commendation that the stronger lodges have been urged to still greater efforts and the weaker ones must have received benefit.

To all the members who so kindly remembered me in my severe illness I extend my thanks, trusting that our Session may prove pleasant

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While the endless ages roll.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

MAGGIE WADDELL,

Secretary.

The President appointed Bro. Gordon E. Pulford auditor.

Moved by Sister Nellie Dodson, seconded by Sister Jennie Henderson, and

Resolved,—That this meeting be adjourned until 2 p.m. Carried.

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AFTERNOON SESSION

GALT, August 9th, 1898.

The Assembly met at 2 p.m., and opened in regular form, President Sister Jane Luscombe in the chair.

Roll call; officers and representatives all present.

Bro. R. Brockbank, Chairman of Committee on By-laws of Rebekah Lodges, presented the following report, which was adopted:

PARIS, ONT., Aug. 9th, 1898.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your Committee on Laws of Rebekah Lodges, appointed to examine the Constitution, By-laws and amendments thereto of Rebekah Lodges, submit the following report:

That they have carefully examined all By-laws and amendments submitted during the year, hereto appended; a full report with corrections (when necessary) was sent to each lodge whose By-laws have been under consideration, and recommend that the same be adopted, subject to the corrections in each case as noted.

Resolved,-That the foregoing be adopted.

R. BROCKBANK, MAGGIE WADDELL, ALMA BRILL, WINNIE L. BASCOM,

VICTORIA LODGE NO. 1.

One copy of By-laws in MS. submitted and approved.

LOUISE LODGE No. 10.

Two copies of By-laws in MS. submitted, not properly certified. No seal, not signed by either N.G. or R.S.; otherwise approved.

PRUDENCE LODGE No. 24.

Two copies of By-laws, with amendments, submitted and approved

COLFAX LODGE No. 28.

First Report.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws in MS. submitted and approved.

Second Report.

Two copies of amendments to By-law 8 submitted and approved.

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JUSTITIA LODGE No. 38.

Two copies of amendments to By-laws in MS. submitted and approved.

HAZEL LODGE No. 40.

One copy of By-laws in MS. submitted, not approved. No seal, not signed by N.G. or R.S.

Article viii., Clause 4, strike out Grand Lodge in the fourth line and insert Rebekah Assembly.

Article ix., strike out Grand Lodge in the fifth line and insert Rebekah Assembly.

Approved with the above corrections.

HARRIET LODGE No. 44.

Two copies of By-laws in MS. submitted and approved.

THAMESVILLE LODGE No. 51.

Two copies of By-laws in MS. submitted and approved.

VIOLA LODGE No. 53.

One copy of By-laws submitted, not signed by N.G. or R.S., otherwise

Sister Nellie Dodson, Assembly Treasurer, presented the following report, which was, on motion of Sister Alice Meggs, seconded by Sister Nell Ackland, referred to Committee on Distribution:

To the Officers and Members of the Rebekah Assembly, I.O.O.F.:

Your Treasurer begs to submit the following report of the financial transactions of the past year:

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All of which is respectfully submitted,

NELLIE DODSON,

Treasurer.

Sister O. M. Pattison, from the Committee on Distribution, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your Committee on Distribution, on the subject matter on the several reports of the officers, beg to submit that the clauses be referred to Committees as follows:

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	All of which is respectfully submitted,	,
	OLIVE M. PATTISON, NAN HARVEY, ANNIE BROWN,	
	ISABEL STEPHENSON, MAUD E. MOORE.	
Sister An	nie McWator Grand	
To the Rebe	kah Assembly of Outcome, of Hotton, was adopted:	.e-
Your Comm	ittee on Election Returns submit the following :	
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PRESIDENT. Sister Mrs. Brill has the unanimous vote.

VICE-PRESIDENT.

Sister Mrs. Dickie, Watson 30 votes. 26 " Ackland 89

Total, 145 Necessary to a choice. 73

GRAND WARDEN. Sister Mrs. Brown, 45 votes. Pulford, 40 Reynolds 48

" Douglas 14

Total, 147 Necessary to a choice, 74 No election.

SECRETARY.

Sister Maggie Waddell has the unanimous vote.

TREASURER.

Sister Nellie Dodson has the unanimous vote. Your Committee move the following: Resolved :- That the report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted,
ANNIE MCWATER
MAGGIE MCFARLANE

M. J. McGregor.

The President thereupon declared Sister Alma Brill elected President for the coming year.

Sister Nell Ackland having received the majority of the vote cast, the President declared her elected Vice-President for the coming year.

No candidate having received a majority of the votes cast for Warden, the representatives proceeded to elect a Warden.

The President appointed Sister L. E. Ryan, Bros. McFarlane and Smith, scrutineers.

The Assembly then proceeded to the election of Warden. The scrutineers announced the ballot as follows:

Sister Jane Douglas, 5 vote
"Mary Brown, 12"
Edith Reynolds, 15"
Amelia Pulford, 14"

Total, 46
Necessary to a choice 24

There being no election the Assembly proceeded again to ballot. The scrutineers reported as follows:

Sister Mary Brown 11 vote
'' Edith Reynolds, 15 ''
'' Amelia Pulford, 21 ''

Total, 47 "
Necessary to a choice, 24 "

There being no election the Assembly proceeded again to ballot. The scrutineers reported as follows:

Sister Edith Reynolds, 21 votes "Amelia Pulford, 27"

Total, 48 Necessary to a choice, 25

The President declared Sister Amelia Pulford elected Warden for the coming year.

The President declared Sister Maggie Waddell elected Secretary.

The President declared Sister Nellie Dodson elected Treasurer. Moved by Sister Dodson, seconded by Sister Brill.

That a vote of thanks from this Assembly be tendered the scrutineers for their services.

Carried unanimously, and replied to by the several scrutineers.

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The Assembly proceeded to the nomination of officers in pursuance of By-law No 14.

The following nominations were made:

PRESIDENT.—Sister Nell Ackland, Brockville.

VICE-PRESIDENT. - Sister Winnie Bascom, Galt; Sister Edith Reynolds, Kingston; Sister Mary Leader, Toronto; Sister Maggie A. Perce, Toronto; Sister Mary Johnson, London; Sister Amelia Pulford, Amherstburg.

Warden.—Sister Nan Harvey, Deseronto; Sister Maude Moore, Stratford; Sister Eliza Stairs, Learnington; Sister Jane Stephenson, Blenheim; Sister Mary Brown, St. Thomas.

Secretary.—Sister Maggie Waddell, Ridgeway.

TREASURER. - Sister Nellie Dodson, Chatham.

Bro. R. Brockbank, Auditor, made the following report, which was adopted:

GALT, August 9th, 1898.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your auditors beg to report that they have examined the books and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer for the year ending August 6th, and find them to correspond with the amount in the Treasurer's hands, and find them to correspond with the amount in the Treasurer's hands, viz., \$415.59. Your Auditors are pleased to inform the Assembly that the books of the Treasurer and Secretary are neatly kept, and reflect credit on the above-mentioned officers of this Assembly.

Resolved,-That the foregoing be adopted.

R. BROCKBANK. GORDON E. PULFORD,

The following was declared lost:

Moved by Maggie Pearce, seconded by Ada Robins-

Resolved,—That in future or until otherwise ordered, the reports of the President, Secretary and Treasurer of this Assembly be printed and distributed to the representatives after the opening of the Assembly, cost not to exceed \$15.00.

Sister Winnie Bascom, from the Committee on Finance, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

We, your Finance Committee, beg leave to report as follows:

1. That we have examined the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and find them correct, with the proper receipts and vouchers, the Treasurer having a balance in the General Fund of \$415.59. There is still a bill of \$44.82 to be paid, \$30.30 being extra for the President's travelling expenses above the grant of \$25.00, the balance being for postage and

2. In view of the continued low state of the finances of the Assembly and the great need and importance of many of our weak lodges being visited and encouraged by the President, your Committee would recommend that the salary of the Secretary be placed for the incoming year at \$75.00, and that the sum of \$50 be placed to the credit of the President to cover the necessary expenses of travelling.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WINNIE L. BASCOM, PRUDENCE KING, M. J. McGregor, MAUDE E. MOORE, SOPHIA STEPHENSON.

Sister Hattie Eddy, from the Committee on Judiciary, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred Clause No. 7 of President's report

Can a married lady who was once a Rebekah member, but withdrawn from the lodge and married a man who is not an Odd Fellow, be reinstated? Answer-No, unless she holds a withdrawal card which has not

Questions by Edna Lodge:

I. Can we elect our officers every six months when we only meet twice a month?

Answer-No. Clause 32, Constitution and By-laws.

2. If a Vice Grand resigns her office, would her successor be eligible for the Noble Grand's chair after filling the chair for the remainder of the term of three nights.

Answer-Yes. Section 13, page 118 in JOURNAL of 1896. We also recommend that Clause No. 8 of Sister Waddell's report regarding a representative to Sovereign Grand Lodge, be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE EDDY. SARA SWARTMAN, ANNIE BROWN, ALICE SACKRIDER. LIZZIE EVERITT.

Sister Nellie Asher, from the Committee on Legislation, made the following report, which was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

It is recommended that Clause 5 of the President's report be adopted and that all Sisters who can avail themselves of the opportunity of insuring will do so.

It is recommended that Section (a) of Clause 9 of the President's report, namely, that a uniform code of By-laws and Constitution be prepared by the Grand Lodge and sold to Rebekah Lodges.

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It is recommended that Section (b) namely, that a page be reserved for Memoriam for the Rebekah Branch in our Journal of Proceedings. It is recommended that Section (c) of Clause 9 of the President's report, referring to Secretaries being neglectful in sending in reports, the Assembly Secretary be instructed to enforce Clause 41 of Rebekah Constitution.

It is recommended that Section (e) that all questions requiring an official answer from the President, be sent to her, the President, direct.

Clause (7) Secretary's report. It is therefore recommended that the Clause (7) Secretary's report. It is therefore recommended that the Assembly approve of the efforts made by Grand Master Young in communicating with Grand Secretary James R. Miller of Illinois, he having received a certificate from the Grand Lodge of Illinois, certifying that Sister Sarah Johns is a Past Noble Grand of Crescent Rebekah Lodge. No. 100, located at Plano, Illinois, and is therefore entitled to a seat in

the Rebekah Assembly if a member in good standing in a Rebekah Lodge.

It is recommended that Clause 8 of the Secretary's report be adopted as a whole, as we think the time has come when this Rebekah Assembly should have a representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted.

NELLIE ASHER, EMMA INGLIS, MARY BEIRNES, MARY HORTON EUPHEMIA BURSE.

Sister Clara Whaley, from the Special Committee on Clause 5, reported as follows. The report was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your Special Committee appointed to report on Clause No. 5, Secre-

tary's report, beg to report as follows:

That the lodges now holding funds collected for the purpose of erecting a Home for Odd Fellows' Widows and Orphans, be instructed to for ward such funds to Bro. McCormack, Treasurer of the Home Fund, Toronto, and that our Treasurer also be instructed to forward all funds in her hands for this purpose to Bro. McCormack, as he has already given

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CLARA WHALEY LILLIAN BRAMLEY, LIBBIE TAYLOR, MARY SMITH.

There being no further business before the Assembly, adjournment was made until 8 p.m.

EVENING SESSION.

The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, called the Assembly to

Sister Olive M. Pattison read the report from Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, as follows, which was adopted: To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

We, your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, beg to report as follows :

That the mileage paid to the officers and representatives amounts to about \$315.00.

We recommend that the per diem be placed at \$2.00 per day for one and a half day's session.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the Finance Committee be directed to provide the sum of \$315.00, or as much thereof as may be required to pay mileage and per diem at the present session.

Resolved :- That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

OLIVE M. PATTISON, NAN HARVEY, SARAH DAWSON, HARRIET FERGUSON. JENNIE HENDERSON,

The following resolution was referred to the Grand Lodge to legislate on the same:

Moved by Sister Pattison, seconded by Sister Munce-

Resolved,—That this Assembly ask the Grand Lodge to amend Clause 32 of Constitution of Rebekah Lodges, so that Rebekah Lodges may elect officers semi-annually and hold semi-monthly meetings.

That Clause 6, Rebekah Constitution, be amended by inserting the word "Warden" after the word "Vice-President."

Sister Annie McWater, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, made the following report, which was adopted: To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence beg leave to report that we have carefully examined the correspondence of the President and Secretary, and have pleasure in bearing testimony to the competent and efficient manner in which the voluminous correspondence of the year has been conducted.

· Your Committee find that the correspondence has been carefully and systematically filed, so as to be readily accessible to anyone desiring information therefrom.

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No petitions have been laid before your Committee.

All of which is respectfully submitted, and your Committee move the adoption of this report.

> ANNIE MCWATER, MINNIE BENNETT, EMILY REYNOLDS, MARY LEADER.

Sister Amelia Pulford, from the Committee on State of the Order, made the following Report, which was adopted:

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred Clauses 1, 2, 3, 4 and 8 of the President's report, also Clauses 1, 2 and 3 of the Secretary's report, beg to report as follows:

To the Representatives, we would ask that they do all they can to

assist the President in her work.

We find, in Clause 2, a steady increase in membership, of which we are pleased, and that four new lodges have been added to the list, and they have started up with a membership of 200.

It is very gratifying to us to know that the officers in the different

lodges are getting their work up in good shape.

Re Clause 3. We are very sorry to learn of some lodges being in distress, and would recommend that the representatives of these lodges do all they can to revive these lodges. And would ask that the Grand Lodge be requested to assist in the work in this branch all they possibly can. We would also recommend that the President be requested to visit all the weaker lodges. By this means we think the Order will be in a better condition.

Re Clause 4. We are also pleased to know that the President has had time at her disposal to visit the number of lodges she has already done. Also, this Assembly feel very grateful to the several lodges for their kindness in presenting the President with a 1,000-mile ticket. By this means she has been enabled to visit more lodges than she would

otherwise.

Clause 8. We are pleased to hear of the different places which have

signified their intention of opening up a Rebekah Lodge very shortly.

Re Clauses 1, 2 and 3, Grand Secretary's Report. We are pleased to hear of the new lodges that were instituted during the past term, and were very sorry to hear that one lodge was forced to surrender its charter. All of which is respectfully submitted,

AMELIA PULFORD, IDA J. ROBINS, AGGIE MCGREGOR. MINNIE TIPLING. NETTIE MUNCE.

Sister Laura E. Ryan, from the Special Committee on the proposed Home, presented the following Report, which was adopted: To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.

A meeting of the Ontario Odd Fellows' Home Committee was held in December at the office of Grand Secretary King, Toronto.

The Board of Directors of the proposed Home has now been duly

organized, consisting of the following members: From the Grand Lodge: Bros. J. A. Young, Grand Master; J. E. Farewell, Deputy Grand Master; J. B. King, Grand Sceretary; W. J. McCormack, Grand Treasurer; Cl. T. Campbell, Past Grand Sire; W. H. Hoyle, Grand Representative; Past Grand Master; Henry White, Past Grand Master. From the Grand Encampment: Bros. M. D. Dawson, Grand Scribe, and A. H. Blackeby, Past Grand Representative. From the Rebekah Assembly: Sisters Laura E. Ryan and Elizabeth Lee, Past Presidents. The following officers were elected: Chairman, Cl. T. Campbell; Vice-Chairman, J. A. Young; Secretary, J. B. King; Treasurer, W. J. McCormack. A circular was sent to all the Lodges in the jurisdiction asking them to assist in every way during the winter to increase the "Home Fund." I am pleased to state that a number of Lodges, as well as individual members, have responded to the appeal. From the Grand Treasurer's Report we find that the cash receipts are \$726.05, amount promised \$3,821, making a total of \$4.547. No definite action has been taken in reference to a site, although some desirable places have been seen.

By resolution of the Board, all contributions from the Rebekah Lodges will be held by the Treasurer as a separate trust, to be used only as directed by the Rebekah Assembly. Each branch of the Order represented on the Home Committee will pay the expenses of their representatives. Owing to the illness of Sister Lee she was not present at the last meeting.

Your Committee would recommend that, as the 20th of September having been set apart as the anniversary of the Rebekah Degree, in no other way would it carry out the teachings of our Order than by making a special effort on that day to hold an entertainment in every Rebekah Lodge in Ontario, proceeds to be given to the "Home Fund." We trust that the Rebekah Branch will continue to labor for the proposed Home, and rest not until it is accomplished, when it shall stand as a lasting monument, to cherish and care for those who have borne the heat and burden of the day, to educate and protect the orphans—one of the proudest features of our beloved Order.

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA E. RYAN,

The following Brothers and Sisters were called upon by the President to address the Assembly:—Bro. J. A. Young Grand Master; Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary; Bro. John Gibson, Past Grand Master; Bro. Jos. Oliver, Past Grand Master, Sister L. E. Ryan, Past President; Sister M. Waddell, Secretary of Assembly; Sister A. Brill, Vice-President; Sister Nell Ackland, each made an address of some length and proclaimed the aims and objects of the Rebekah Degree as one of the brightest gems in Odd Fellowship.

Bro. J. R. Oliver sang a song which was much appreciated. The President, Sister Jane Luscombe, thanked the speakers on behalf of the Assembly for their kind words and addressed the Assembly at some length.

There being no further business before the Assembly, adjournment was made until 9 a.m. Wednesday morning.

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SECOND DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

The Assembly was called to order at 9.30 a.m., by the President, Sister Jane Luscombe.

Assembly was opened by singing the opening Ode and prayer by the Chaplain.

Roll call, all officers and representatives present.

The following communication from Sister Annie McWater, D.D.G.M., of Louise Lodge, No. 10, Kingston, was read and ordered to be inserted in the minutes.

To the Rebekah Assembly, I.O.O.F.:

As D.D.G.M. of Louise Rebekah Lodge, No. 10, Kingston, I desire to express my appreciation of the kind assistance and advice given me during my term of office by both the President and Secretary of this Assembly.

I wish also to testify to the benefits resulting to our lodge from the visit of our worthy President. On the occasion of that visit we had a large and enthusiastic meeting. The interest in our work was revived and our meetings have been attended much better ever since. We have initiated five or six members since that visit and we attribute our success largely to the clear understanding of the aims and objects of our Order given by our worthy President.

The following resolution was referred to the Grand Lodge to legislate on. Moved by Sister Robins, seconded by Sister Sara Swartman, and

Resolved:—That application be made by the executive officers of this Assembly to the Grand Lodge to confirm the rank of their officers on those officers who served a shorter term than the law allowed, but who acted in good faith on By-laws regularly adopted and reported to the Assembly by the Representatives to the Sovereign Grand*Lodge.

Sister Laura E. Ryan, Past President, then proceeded to install the following officers, Sister Mrs. Prudence King, Past President, acting as Grand Marshal:

as C	Frand Marshal:		
Siste	er Alma Brill	President.	
	Nell Ackland		
	Amelia Pulford	Warden	

Maggie Waddell.....Secretary.
Nellie Dodson.....Treasurer.

The following appointed officers were named by the President, each of whom was duly installed, viz.:

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Sister	Mary Horton	Marshal.	
	M. Taylor		
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" E. Stairs Outside Guard.
" S. Stephenson Chaplain.

The officers of the Assembly were then declared duly installed for the incoming year.

. The President, Sister Alma Brill, made the following appoint

Committee on Supplies—Sisters Maggie Waddell, Jennie Henderson, Libbie Taylor.

Committee on By-laws—Bro. R. Brockbank, *Chairman*; Sisters Mary Horton, Sophia Stephenson, Maggie Waddell, *Secretary*.

Auditors—Sister L. E. Ryan was elected auditor by the Assembly, and Bro. R. Brockbank was appointed by the President.

The following vote of thanks was adopted:

Moved by Sister Maggie Waddell, seconded by Sister Sarah E. Smith:

Resolved,—That a hearty vote of thanks be tendered to Waterloo Lodge No. 107, I.O.O.F., for the kind and hospitable manner in which they have entertained the Assembly, and for the use of their hall for the holding of the Assembly sessions.

Sister Jane Luscombe, Past President, and Sister Alma Brill, President, exemplified the unwritten or secret work in a very able manner. The Lodge, 8 o'cloc

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The President announced that the Degree staff of Ivy Rebekah Lodge, No. 26, would exemplify the dramatized work this evening at 8 o'clock, and urged all the representatives to be present.

The business of the Assembly being concluded, the closing Ode was sung and prayer was offered by the Chaplain.

The President then declared the Eighth Annual Session of the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F., adjourned to meet on the Tuesday preceding the annual session of the Grand Lodge of

The Grand Master named the following District Deputy Grand Masters for Rebekah Lodges, viz.:—

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LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.		NAME.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Victoria	1	London	Cintar	Mrs. Pollie Sanders	London
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Ruth	2	Stratford	"	Mrs. J. R. Boothby	Stratford
Oshawa	3		"	Mrs. M. L. Thomas	Oshawa .
Naomi			"	Mrs. L. M. Edgar	Windsor
Our Sisters			**	Mrs. Jennie Henderson	Pt. Edward
ouise			"	Miss Annie McWater	Kingston
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Jubilee	13		**	Mrs. Nellie Dodson	Chatham
Edna		St. Thomas	"	Mrs. Ann Cochram	St. Thomas
Harmony		Gananoque	"	Mrs. Annie Knight	Gananoque
Olive Branch					
Rachel		Toronto	16	Mrs. Sarah E Smith	Toronto
Viola	53	Toronto	70000		the constant
Excelsior	18	Bridgeburg	"	Miss Mary Stine	Bridgeburg
Mizpah	19	Collingwood	**	Miss Kate L. Robertson	Collingwood
Donalda	20	North Bay	"	Mrs. May E. Smith	North Bay
Flora	21	Sault Ste. Marie	"	Mrs. Cora C. Brown	Sault Ste. Marie
Lucknow	22	Lucknow			
Flora Lucknow Inglewood	23	Waterford	Sister	Miss L. Teeter	Water ford
Prudence	24	Brantford	- 41	Miss O. L. Pattison	Colbourne St
Alberta Esther	25	Kincardine	11	Mrs. Celinda Walker	Kincardine
Esther	27	Niagara Falls	"	Miss E. L. Hull	Niagara Falls
Colfax	28	Sarnia	"	Mrs. Sarah J. Ellis	Sarnia
At-the-Well	29	Almonte	"	Miss Annie Whitlaw	Almonte
Aberdeen	30	Deseronto		Miss Nan Harvey	Deseronto
Coila	32	Ottawa	"	Mrs. Jennie Barron	Ottawa
Hazel	40	Ottawa	1000	Mrs. Jenne Barron	Ottawa
Maple Leaf	33	Brockville	. 44	Miss Mary Seaton	Brockville
Olivette	34	Wingham		Mrs. Kate Mowatt	Wingham
Pansv	35	Amherstburg	41.	Mrs. Libbie Taylor	Amherstburg
Rowena	37	Paris	Broth	er R. Brockbank	Paris
Justitia	38	Hamilton	Sister	Miss Ada Robins	Hamilton
Margaret	39	Waubaushene	11	Mrs Sarah Swartman	
Florence	41	Harriston	**	Mrs. Florence Watson	Harriston
Pandora	42	Blenheim	**	Mrs. Euphemia Burse	Blenheim
Harriet	44	Renfrew	**	Mrs. Emily Ingles	Renfrew
Peachland	45	Leamington)	THE COURSE		
Ideal	47	Ruthven	"	Mrs. Eliza Stares	Leamington
Lilv	49	Kingsville	MAN VE		
Rose	43	Woodstock	. "	Mrs. Rose Lossee	Woodstock
Eastern Star	48	Cornwall	"	Mrs. E. Hermiston	Cornwall
Fern	50		**	Mrs. Mary Horton	Simcoe .
Thamesville	51	Thamesville	- 41	Mrs. Lizzie Everitt	Thamesville
Violet	52	Otterville	- "	Mrs. Ella McFarlane	Otterville
Woodslee	55	Woodslee	Broth	er J. A. Smith	Woodslee
Ruby	56	Mt. Forest		Mrs. Cooil	Mt. Forest
Endeavor	57	Forest	"	Mrs. Eliza Tripp	Forest
Carnation	58		Broth	er Jos. B. McDougall	Wallaceburg
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LODGE REPORTS.

On the call of the Lodges, the following reports were read and ordered to be spread upon the JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS:—

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Naomi Rebekah Lodge, No. 6—The following is my official report for the past term. You will observe by the enclosed semi-annual reports that Naomi Lodge has not made much progress this term, as they have only increased their membership by two. The G. M. paid us an official visit on June 14th. We had a very enjoyable evening. The staff of Naomi-Lodge conferred the Degree in its usual impressive manner on one candidate. We had about 30 visitors from the Detroit lodges and 15 from South Woodslee, No. 55. After the work was done the visitors was entertained to refreshments, after which the G. M. corrected some little irregularities in the work. I installed the officers of Naomi Lodge, No. 6, on July 6th, and South Woodslee Lodge, No. 55, on July 14th. You will observe that they have recommended Sister Eliza J. Taylor for their D.D., but as I told them that, being N.G., she was not entitled to the office. You will also notice from their report that the lodge, is increasing. They have added twelve to their numbers since last report, now making a total membership of thirty-five. I enclose you money order for the sum of twelve dollars and forty cents, nine dollars and thirty cents for Naomi Lodge and three dollars and ten cents for South Woodslee Lodge. I would have made this report sooner, but arrangements could not be made with Woodslee before the date mentioned. I have not done much towards increasing the number of lodges in the past year, but as I have been recommended for another I hope to do something in that line during the number of lodges in the past year, but as I have been recommended for another I hope to do something in that line during the

L. M. EDGAR, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Our Sistars Rebekah Lodge, No. 7—I have much pleasure in stating taken up with enthusiasm and energy, and each individual member seems to feel a personal responsibility in making the initiation ceremony impressive. The business is done in a harmonious and business-like way. Our financial standing is very satisfactory. We have not taken in many new members the past year, but the prospects for the future are encouraging. We have not got our paraphernalia yet, but expect it at any time, as we are patiently waitine for it.

R. BRUCE, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

It is with pleasure I report the prosperous condition of Louise Lodge, No. 10, Kingston. During the past six months we initiated four brothers and two sisters, also reinstated two brothers and two sisters. We have also six candidates for membership, whom we expect to initiate during the next month. Our present membership is eighty-five. Our

In April we had the pleasure of a visit from our Worthy President, whose presence among us, and whose encouraging words did much to revive the interest of our members.

ANNIE MCWATER.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I,O.O.F.:/

Edna Lodge, No. 14, St. Thomas-I take much pleasure in reporting that Edna Lodge is in a prosperous condition financially, although

our membership has not increased any during the year.

Our attendance is very unsatisfactory, which makes it very discouraging for the faithful few who are working zealously for the promotion of the noble principles of our beloved Order. Still, we are looking forward for better results after the warm weather is over. We have

assets June 30th, 1898, were \$449.87.

Our visiting and relief committees are still doing a noble work among the sick and needy in our city. We hope next year to present a much better repor, and trust that we may come home from the Assembly with many lessons that will enable us to carry on the good work. We trust that Divine wisdom and strength will be granted the Assembly during this session.

ANNIE BROWN.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

I am pleased to report the prosperity of Harmony Lodge. sixty-six members in good standing, an increase of nine members since last report. We have lost two Sisters by death in the past year. Financially we are fairly well; our lodge at its last meeting night decided 'to send ten dollars out of the proceeds of the dinner which we served on the first of July, to the Orphans' Home Fund, which I am pleased to hand to the Secretary. We hope to do better in Harmony this coming year. ALICE MEGGS.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

Sister M. Leader, District Deputy for for Toronto Lodges, reports as follows :

Our meetings for the past year have been fraught with much good. I have attended the lodge meetings regularly and rendered them all the assistance I could.

The lodges have all increased in membership, and, I am pleased to

say, are in a very prosperous condition.

The Relief Committee of Olive Branch, No. 16, D. of R., is still doing a good work.

In my semi-annual report I had to report the loss of Hebron Lodge, No 31, and was afraid another would soon follow; however, I can say with pleasure that Rachel Lodge, No. 36 is getting along nicely and its prospects for the future are much brighter than ever before.

The semi-annual report of the lodges from 1st January to 30th June,

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I have not been able to get report from Viola Lodge up to time of writing.

Trying to devise some scheme whereby the Brothers might be brought into closer touch with the Sisters in their work, I hit upon the plan of having a reception given to Bro. Woodley, D.D.G.M. and District Committee No. 19. I brought this before Olive Branch Lodge, No. 16, and the result was that on Tuesday evening, April 5th, 1898, my plan was carried into effect and a most enjoyable time was spent. A short programme was provided, after which a sumptuous repast was served. Toasts were given and responded to in a very hearty manner. Among those present were "Sister Jane Luscombe, President Rebekah Assembly; Past Presidents Sisters Prudence King and Laura E. Ryan; Grand Warden, Sister M. A. Pearce; Bro. Woodley, D.D.G.M.; Bro. J. B. King, Grand Secretary; Bro. J. W. McCormack, Grand Treasurer; Past Grand Masters Bro. Jas. Oliver and Bro. Hornibrook, and many others. This reception was so successful that, so far as Olive Branch is concerned, we intend to make it an annual affair.

On 7th June, 1898, I paid my official visit to Olive Branch, No. 16, and was received in such a hearty manner that I felt my work amongst them had been appreciated to its fullest extent.

I also visited officially Viola Lodge, No. 53, on May 20th, 1898, and cloudy No. 36, on June 24th, 1898, and was received most graciously by them

Owing to the resignation of Sister Smith, N.G., of Viola Lodge, No. 53, a new election was necessitated, namely of N.G. and V.G. The nomination and election resulted in the election of Sister McDonald as N.G. and Sister Brown as V.G. I also had the pleasure of installing these officers, who are to hold office for the remainder of the term.

Sister Luscombe, President of the Rebekah Assembly, paid the lodges in Toronto an official visit, and in so doing helped them by her very inspiriting words, giving them courage to press onward in the good work which they were called to do.

On Oct. 30th, 1897, I was present at a most impressive ceremony in Mount Pleasant Cemetery, that of the unveiling of the I.O.O.F. monument.

Some years ago the Odd Fellows purchased a plot at a cost of several hundreds of dollars; not being satisfied, however, with the appearance of it they decided to further beautify it by erecting a monument, and as it stands in its present position pointing heavenward, it serves to remind us again of the powers given to man by God to advance the world.

Hoping that the Assembly of 1898 may be most successful in its work, I remain,

Yours in F.L.T.,

MARY LEADER, D.D.G.M.

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Excelsior Lodge, No. 10, Bridgeburg-I beg to present this report and convey to you greetings for a prosperous session, and trusting that Divine wisdom and strength may be granted this Assembly during the present session.

We have a very efficient staff of officers who take great pride

in getting up their charges.

Last winter we held a series of meetings under the auspices of the Rebekah Degree, the proceeds to be devoted to the Home Fund. At one of these gatherings we were honored by the presence of our efficient Grand Secretary, Sister Maggie Waddell. We admitted during the year four sisters and one brother, making a total of fifty-two members in good standing. With renewed energy and determination we hope for better

MARY KENNEDY, D.D.G.M.,

Bridgeburg.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Margaret Rebekah Lodge, No. 39, Waubaushene-I am pleased to Margaret Redekan Louge, No. 39, Waudausnene—1 am pleased to report our continued prosperity, although our increase has not been so large this year. Our present membership is composed of Brothers and Sisters who are active and zealous in promoting the best interests of our beloved Order. Our meetings are fairly well attended, and are interesting. We admitted during the year one new member, making a total of seventy members—twenty-eight Brothers and forty-two Sisters.

Last February we had a birthday party, and a most pleasant evening was spent by all. As a result, we are able to donate \$10.00 to the Orphans'

Wishing this eighth annual session of the Assembly every success, I remain.

Yours in F. L. & T.,

FRANKIE BETTIS.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Prudence Rebekah Lodge, Ko. 24, Brautford—I beg to report that our lodge has not increased in membership as we would like. We have initiated two new members. Our finances are in good condition, and are well and carefully looked after. The attendance is quite unsatisfactory, which makes it very discouraging to the faithful few who try to keep the lodge up to standard.

Our Dorcas Society have looked after some of the needy, and also

gave five dollars and clothing to the Children's Shelter here. Yours in F. L. T.

OLIVE M. PATTISON, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

I am sorry to have to report the loss of members in our lodge—Colfax Rebekah Lodge, No. 28. But they have been largely of those who were initiated at the meeting of Grand Lodge in Sarnia, and could not attend for distance. We still have a very good membership. We have not had a very successful year financially, as our expenses have been larger than our income. But through our disadvantages we have had many pleasures. We feel that Colfax Lodge has been honored by having one of our Sisters

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ALWILDA MCILHAGGA, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

At-the-Well Rebekah Lodge, No. 29—We have added four members to our lodge in the last term, one Brother, three Sisters. A fine Steinway

piano has been placed in the lodge room for the use of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, which we find a great help in our work.

On March, the 22nd, we had an official visit from our Worthy President, Mrs. Jane Luscombe. Our members turned out in full force to do her honor. After the Noble Grand, Sister Thoburn, had welcomed the Worthy President, an address was presented to her by Sister Kate McGregor. The officers left their chairs and the degree staff took their places and initiated three candidates in a very creditable took their places and initiated three candidates in a very creditable manner. An address was given by the President and a few words of encouragement by some of the brothers. The secret work was given in an excellent manner by the madam President. A bountiful spread lad been prepared by the sisters in the comfortable dining hall in connection with our lodge room where all enjoyed themselves and at midnight dispersed after singing Auld Lang Syne, and we cannot estimate the benefit that has arisen from the personal visit of the cannot estimate the benefit that has arisen from the personal visit of the President of the Assembly, and only regret they are not more frequent. As usual at this season of the year our meetings are not so well attended as they ought to be..

JANE MCCALLUM, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Time rolls on swiftly and it seems but yesterday since I last reported to you concerning the lodges in this jurisdiction.

I have paid several visits to Coila Lodge, No. 32, at all of which I have found the Lodge doing good work and have spent very enjoyable evenings with its members. As to my own, Lodge Hazel, No. 40, 1 visit it every meeting night, practically having only missed two nights in the past year. nights in the past year.

The lodges on the whole are both doing good work. They have both very good officers and especially Hazel Lodge. Taking the officers all together Hazel has the best this year it has ever had.

Coila Lodge, No 32.

P.S..... Mrs. Myrtle Hamon.

Hazel Lodge, No. 40.

N.G..... Miss Lottie Elkie. N.G..... Miss Sarah Whitton. V. G.....Ruby Brady. Sec....Mr. F. J. Hamon. V.G..... Mrs. Ida Moore. Sec..... Miss Mary Storr. Treas..... Miss Grace Turton.

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ie. ildson. Coila and Hazel Lodges have both contributed their mite towards the prospective home for indigent Odd Fellows, and Hazel is now busily engaged with a quilt trying to raise money to furnish a ward in the hospital (two beds), and I am sure we will succeed, and by the time my successor has to report she will be able to report the work accomplished.

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We had a very pleasant and profitable visit from our Worthy

President, which we enjoyed very much.

SOPHIA STEPHENSON, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

As another Convention draws near it affords me much pleasure in behalf of Aberdeen Lodge, No. 30, to present the following report: During the last term we have admitted four brothers and two

sisters, total six, leaving us a membership of eighty-two brothers and two fifty-five sisters, totals, one hundred and thirty-seven members all in good standing.

We meet every alternate Friday night and have a good attendance, our members being enthusiastic and zealous to promote the good of the Order. The officers and members have stimulated the attendance by the introduction of monthly entertainments after the business of the lodge is over and for one hour they all meet in a social manner to get more thoroughly acquainted with each other, and we find it a perfect success. Our financial standing, though not as large as it might be, is on the whole satisfactory. The purchase of a new set of badges and collars has something to do with the smallness of our treasury. Our lodge expenses per year, \$56.83, receipts on hand \$20.03. We hope by next year to report a substantial Benefit Fund in connection with our lodge. We think if the Grand Lodge would take this most important subject into consideration it would greatly increase the membership of Rebekah Lodges.

And now wishing you a prosperous and happy session, trusting every effort put forth may be crowned with success for the Order we all love so well.

I remain yours in F. L., and T.,
MIRIAM MCMASTER, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Maple Leaf Rebakah Lodge, No. 33, Brockville. I have been unable to send you a report sooner, owing to the fact that the books were in such a tangle that I had to spend some time for several nights in getting a correct report. I had to go through all the lodge books to find the errors which I discovered in auditing them. Where suspended members had been paying dues, the P.S. would then count them as good on the books, and they would go into the report again as members. The trouble was on account of the P.S. not having marked on their account in book 'suspended' and that office is changed about every six months; they don't keep it long enough to know how it should be done. However, we have them all right now for a fresh start, and trust the new officers may keep it right.

The exact state of the lodge is set forth in the lodge report to you, which I know is correct if copied correctly.

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You will see we have not made any progress, although seven joined during the term. I think the attention of the lodges should be drawn to this matter of suspensions, and P.S. be appointed who will keep office for a length of time, as the name would signify—permanently.

Fraternally yours,

H. B. COATES.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

On behalf of Rose Rebekah Lodge, No. 43, I beg respectfully to submit this report. Our lodge has not been as successful the past year as we wished it to be. We have had only one initiation and have had to suspend eleven members for non-payment of dues, and have that to sus-drawals, leaving a total membership of fifty-five—thirty-three Sisters and twenty-two Brothers. Our greatest difficulty seems to be in getting the members to attend lodge meetings. We do not get the encouragement from the Subordinate Lodges that we need and think we deserve, but from the Subordinate Longes that we need and think we deserve, but hope for it in the near future. We paid May Queen Lodge of London a visit, and had a pleasant and profitable evening. We are making an autograph quilt which, when completed, will be sold and the proceeds given in aid of the Orphans' Home. Our lodge is in a good condition financially, and we have the necessary paraphernalia, and we are able to do the work second to none. We hope at this Assembly to carry home many lessons that will guide us in our good work, and may this Assembly be guided in all its deliberations.

Woodstock. MRS. ALICE SACKRIDER, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F .:

Referring to the state of the Order of the lodges under my supervision, I regret there has not been the progress, interest or increase of member-ship I should wish. By reference to the semi annual report of Lily Lodge, they have found it necessary to strike off eleven members for N.P.D., Ideal nine and Peachtain thirteen for the same cause. This may be partly accounted forfrom the fact that a great many joined the Order in the first instance as a matter of curiosity only, and then allowed their membership to drop. And the Odd Fellows do not take the interest in the Order as we were led to expect, but I hope the membership of the several lodges are now composed of earnest and active workers who have the interest of the Order at heart, and will use their earnest

The visit of Grand Master J. A. Young to Peachland and Lily Lodges did much to inspire new life in them, and the very instructive way in which he exemplified the secret as well as of er work of the Order has

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been of the greatest assistance to us, and the kindness and courtesy to the writer and members of the lodges on that occasion will be long remembered with pleasure.

Trusting the Order throughout your jurisdiction has been prosperous during the past term, and that you all may enjoy a pleasant and profitable time at the coming Assembly, I remain,

Yours in F. L., and T.,

Leamington.

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ELIZA STARES, D.D.G.M.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

I am disappointed in making out my report for Eastern Star Lodge, No. 48, Cornwall, as I expected to institute two lodges, one at Morrisburg and one at Dickinson's Landing. I gave a short address at each of these places, by request, on the aims of the Order, and did all in my power to have the lodges instituted.

We have sixty-five members in good standing. During the year nine were added to our number by initiation, and seven were suspended for non-payment of dues. Two very successful entertainments were held during the year. Our birthday party this winter was very much enjoyed by everyone. We took part of the proceeds to buy our banners.

I am sorry to say that we have not made our paraphernalia yet, but expect to have it ready for the fall. I am very thankful to say that we have had very little sickness, and no deaths during the year. Our financial standing is very satisfactory, and with our present staff of officers we anticipate great success. I am pleased to report that the utmost haring the work.

I do hope that something will be done this year in the matter of sick relief for our Order, and I would suggest that the matter be brought to the attention of the Grand Lodge of Ontario at its present session.

FLORENCE GIBBENS.

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

Violet Rebekah Lodge, No. 52, has not made any gain in members this term just ended, although having had some initiations we have had some suspensions, some of them being for non-payment of dues and some on account of ceasing to be members'in good standing in their subordinate lodge. We have at the present time seventy members, having initiated one during the month just passed. We had a balance on hand at the end of the term of nearly \$41.00. Living in a small place we do not expect to gain much in membership but hope to hold our own. A goodly number are outside of the village and if the evening happens to be stormy they do not get in. However, we generally have enough out to open and carry on the business of the lodge and carry out the objects of the Order. Our officers take an interest in their part and try to obtain the proficiency that is so necessary to the carrying on of a lodge. Although we have only been organized for two years we have members spread around a radius of many miles. The members of Tecumseh kindly furnish us the use of their beautiful room free of rent and show us many kindnesses for which we are deeply grateful. We have had some sickness, but only one of a serious nature who was furnished a professional nurse by her own people so we have not

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been called on to give an example of our principles of looking after the sick and distressed. Hoping in the future we may still prosper and be able to do the amount of good for which we have been banded together,

I am yours in F. L., and T., Otterville.

ELLA MCFARLANE, D.D.G.M.,

To the Rebekah Assembly of Ontario, I.O.O.F.:

During the six months ending June 30th, 1898, Ruby Lodge, No. 56, Mount Forest, has added thirteen to our membership, making a total of fifty-six in good standing. Balance in hands of treasurer, \$9,99, being an increase of \$8 since last report. The Sisters and Brothers 19.99, being an increase of posince last report. The disters and brothers take a great interest in Ruby Lodge, as shown by the very large attendance at all regular meetings. We visited Florence Lodge, Harriston, and had the pleasure of meeting our Worthy President, Sister Jane Luscombe, with whom, and the Sisters and Brothers of Florence Lodge, we spent which whom, and the sisters and blothers of knowledge, the pleased a very pleasant and profitable evening, returning home well pleased with our visit. The following night we received an official visit from President Sister Luscombe, and although we had just returned from our trip to Harriston, and were naturally very tired, yet all the members of Ruby Lodge were in their places to meet this distinguished visitor, and well she repaid them for coming out, by her wise words of counsel, instruction and advice, giving our Sisters a truer insight into the sterling merits and beauty of the Degree of Rebekah. We will ever feel grateful to our noble President, Sister Luscombe, for the great interest she showed in our lodge, and will long remember the eloquent and brilliant shower in our long, and win long remember the exoquent and Minard address she favored us with, inciting our Sisters to continued efforts in promoting the welfare of our noble Order. On our anniversary, June 15, we held a farewell reception in honor of one of our Sisters who was leaving town, to which we invited all the parents of our Sisters as well as the clergymen of our town. We had a very large gathering of the very best people, who went away greatly impressed with the society of the Degree of Rebekah, and has given our lodge a very high standing with the people of Mount Forest. I can assure you that we have one of the most harmonious lodges in the jurisdiction, not a discordant note but the true spirit of Oddfellowship principles which make our lodge meetings so pleasant.

MRS. MAUD TAYLOR,

Representative.

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Our Sis Beatrice Jubilee. Edna .. Harmon Olive B Myrtle . Excelsio Mizpah. Donalda Flora... Inglewood Prudence Alberta . Esther... Colfax ... At-the-W Aberdeen Maple Le Olivette. Pansy Rachel . Rowena Justitia . Margaret Hazel ...

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Report of the Grand Representatives

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THE SOVEREIGN GRAND LODGE, I.O.O.F.

Session of 1898, held at Boston, Mass.

Torthe Grand Lodge of Ontario, L.O.O.F.:

Your Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge submit the following report:

The 74th Annual Session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge was held at Boston, Mass., commencing on Monday, September 19th, 1898, and continued until the following Saturday afternoon.

Representatives were in attendance from every Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment. Seven Past Grand Sires were also present, our Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, being in the number.

From the reports of the Grand Officers, we obtain the following:

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

While the membership of the Order has not increased during the period covered by this report to the extent that was desired, yet there is much to encourage us, for the country where the great bulk of our membership is to be found has not entirely recovered from the financial and business depression of the last few years, which accounts, to a large extent, for our increase not being larger than it is. The membership of the Subordinate Lodges shows a very substantial increase, as does also that of the Degree of Rebekah, while the Encampment branch, notwithing the remedial legislation of the last two sessions of your body, shows a small decrease.

The condition of our Order in Europe and other lands not on the continent of North America is good.

The following shows, in a condensed shape, the statistics and conditions as to membership, revenues and expenditures of the various branches of the Order, save of the Patriarchs Militant:

RETURNS FOR YEARS 1896 AND 1897.

<u> </u>	December 31, 1896.	December 31, 1897.	Increase.	Decrease.
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STATISTICS OF THE ORDER FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1897.

INCLUDING AUSTRALASIA, GERMANY, DENMARK. SWITZERLAND AND SWEDEN

Initiations in Subordinate Lodges	2,197,196
Members relieved	2,166,104
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HOMES, BUILDINGS, ETC.

The Grand Secretary's report contained statistics showing that in 18 jurisdictions there were orphan and other homes owned by the Order of the jurisdictions there were orphan and other homes owned by the Order of the present value of \$625,811, and that there were buildings, etc., owned by the Order of the value of \$3,123,727. But this statement does not present the true state of affairs, as the Grand Secretary states that the summary is meagre and most unsatisfactory, as several jurisdictions which have Homes sent no report as to them, and that the reports sent in as to Buildings are imperfect and incomplete.

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DECISIONS.

Decisions of the Grand Sire, as amended and approved.

SUBORDINATE LODGE DECISIONS.

No. 1. Q. What is the status of Lodge property on the dissolution of the Lodge? Does it belong to the Grand Lodge? If so, in what way could the Lodge possess itself of the real estate in case of opposition on the part of any member of the defunct Lodge or otherwise? Is there anything to prevent a Lodge, while in existence, selling its real estate, if it chose so to do? Must it have authority from the Grand Lodge

A. On the dissolution of a Subordinate Lodge, in property becomes at once the property of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction, and the Grand Lodge, if such Subordinate Lodge owned real estate, could proceed to take possession of it, as a private individual could; if, however, any member of such defunct Lodge was in actual possession of it, a suit to recover it would become necessary. It is usual for Lodges, both Subordinate and Grand, to be incorporated under the civil laws of their several States, and such Grand Lodge should sue in the corporate name. Not being familiar with the laws and procedure of the civil courts of Vermont, cannot further advise you as to the method of procedure, but any good lawyer of your State could point out the remedy of the Grand Lodge. Subordinate Lodges, while in existence, have the right to dispose of any real estate they may own without asking or obtaining permission of the Grand Lodge to do so.

Q. On what terms can one who in 1866 was initiated and received the first and second degrees, be received now into membership?

A. If an Ancient Odd Fellow, by depositing his card, or making other satisfactory proof of his former connection with the Order, and by paying the sum fixed by the By-laws of the Lodge for the admission of an Ancient Odd Fellow, and by being admitted by a ball ballot as pre-

No. 3. Q. Does the official receipt entitle a brother to admittance into a Lodge within his own jurisdiction without the semi-annual pass-word, or is it necessary for a brother holding an official receipt to have the semi-annual pass-word in order to be entitled to admission?

A brother seeking admission into a Lodge within his own jurisdic-A. A brother seeking admission into a rouge within the Grand Master ton must give the semi-annual pass-word given out by the Grand Master of the jurisdiction; or, if he produces an official certificate or receipt, the A.T.P.W. No brother can be admitted to a Lodge whether or not he has a visiting card or an official certificate unless, he has one or the other of these words. Only his own Lodge can admit him without one or the other word, and no Lodge, except his own, should so admit him.

No. 4. Q. Has a jurisdiction that licenses one insurance company, formed from members in its own State, any right to say that a company from another State shall not do business in that State?

A. It has not, provided always that the company so refused has complied with the laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and obtained authority from its officers to do business.

No. 5. Q. Can a jurisdiction make any discrimination as to the companies it will license, provided it license any, and the company produces a license from the Sovereign Grand Lodge? In other words, has the Subordinate Grand Jurisdiction any discretion as to the companies it will license, provided the company has the Sovereign Grand Lodge license?

. It has not.

[Questions 4 and 5 were approved with the following qualification and modification: If the "Insurance company formed from members in its own state," referred to in said decisions, belonged to the class of "voluntary associations or small corporations," and "confining their operations to towns, cities or jurisdictions in which they are located, and not seeking to do general insurance business." then and in that case the Grand Lodge of such jurisdiction is not required to grant a license or permit to a company from another state or jurisdiction. See Digest of 1895, sec. 591; also vol. 18, Journal of 1895, pages 14435 to 14438 and 14470, 14571.]

No. 6. Q. If a brother steps up to the Secretary to pay his dues and assessments and says nothing about a receipt, has the Secretary a right to give him any other than the official certificate?

A. He has not; if any acknowledgment is given in writing or on any printed form, it must be given on the form of the official certificate

No. 7. Q. If a Lodge agrees to transact business between the Lodge and its members, relative to their dues and assessments, without the use of the official certificate, and the brother does not care for a receipt, has the Lodge a right to evade the law by so doing?

A. When a member pays any money to his Lodge for dues or assessments, and does not desire any written acknowledgment for such payment, he need not be given such acknowledgment; but if he does ask for such an acknowledgment, the Financial Secretary must issue to him an official certificate, showing the amount he has paid. Where such evidence is demanded, no other form can be used than what is known as the official certificate. The third resolution of the report of the Committee on Legislation, as amended after adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, shows plainly what the laws on the subject are, said resolution reading as follows: "That hereafter the official receipt (certificate) shall be designated as the 'official certificate,' and shall be issued in all cases where members pay dues and assessments to subordinate bodies, and shall request a receipt, and that such change be made in the form and matter as to make it plain and distinct, with ample space for necessary signatures, and a line for the location of the body issuing it, and the date."

No. 8. Q. Is a member who is one month, or even one day, in arrears for dues or assessments, in good standing, so as to be entitled to sick benefits?

A. No; but the length of time and amount of dues to constitute a brother in arrears is a matter for local legislation.

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No. 9. Q. A vacancy having occurred in the office of Degree Master has of a degree Lodge, during the term, is the Deputy Degree Master eligible to fill the vacancy? Both Degree Master and Deputy Degree Master are ned installed into office with the same ceremony as the Noble Grand and Vice the Grand of a Subordinate Lodge. pro-

A. If the Deputy Degree Master would have been eligible to fill the position of Degree Master had he not been Deputy Degree Master, the fact that he was already Deputy Degree Master would not have disquali-fied him from being elected to fill such office, the vacancy occurring

during the term.

Q. The question you propounded is in regard to the apparent conflict between the Constitution for Subordinate Lodges of your jurisdiction (Lower Provinces) and the By-laws of a Subordinate Lodge of such jurisdiction, the Constitution providing that applications for mem-bership shall be referred to a committee of three, "who shall report upon the application upon the next succeeding regular meeting (unless unavoidable circumstances prevent), when the candidate shall be balloted for with ball ballots," etc. The By-Laws of the Subordinate Lodge, which have been legally approved, provide, "When the report shall have been submitted to the Lodge, action shall be deferred until the next regular session, or from time to time, until any doubt as to the fitness of the candidate may be determined."

In my judgment there is no conflict between the Constitution and the By-Laws quoted. In many instances the word may, is construed to mean shall, owing to the nature of the context, and in the same manner, where the word shall is used, it may not always be mandatory, but the remainder of the sentence may be looked to to interpret the true meaning. In my judgment, therefore, the language of the Constitution does not mean to inhibit a Lodge from postponing action on a report of an investigating committee on an application for memberships, for the language used by it in brackets showing that it being (unless unforeseen circumstances present) and of courses, which unforces are constituted to the course of the course language used by it in brackets showing that it being (unless unforeseen circumstances prevent), and, of course, such unforeseen circumstances must be judged of by the Lodge itself, and certainly a Lodge would have the inherent right, as shown by the law as quoted in White's Digest, Article 649, to postpone consideration of any committee report where they may deem it advisable or proper. The Lodge having then the right, even under the language of the Constitution, to "postpone action on the report of a committee on application for unavoidable circumstances," of which it is the sole judge, it can provide in its By-Laws that all committee reports on applications shall not be considered until another session, and if these By-Laws, as in this case, are approved by the Grand session, and if these By-Laws, as in this case, are approved by the Grand Lodge, or its authority, it amounts to an interpretation of the meaning of the apparent mandatory language of the Constitution. I therefore decide that there is no conflict between the constitutional provision quoted and the article of the By-Laws.

No. 11. Q. Is it optional or obligatory with a Lodge to indicate in a withdrawal card the rank of the member withdrawing?

It is imperative with a Lodge granting a withdrawal card to state in it the highest rank the brother has attained in the Lodge; es ially is this the case when such a brother demands such statement.

law as contained in Section 157, White's Digest, clearly settles this question.

No. 12. Statement. A brother Odd Fellow in good standing in a Subordinate Lodge goes to a distant city, and in accord with the resolu-tions adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge at its session at Denver in 1887, to be found on page 10990, reports himself to the Lodge in the city he is visiting. In course of time such visiting Lodge to which the brother reported, requested him to watch with one of their sick members. The brother declines so to do on the ground that the law which is contained in the said resolutions only requires him to watch with transient brothers, situated like himself.

Was the visiting brother right in such refusal, or was the Lodge right, under the law, to call on him for such watching?

A. Under the law, as found in the resolutions adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, referred to in the statement, it was the duty of the brother to watch with the sick of the Lodge under whose care he was, for the spirit, if not the letter thereof, makes it his duty to thus assist the

Lodge visited, the language of the resolution being as follows:

'Resolved, That it is the duty of every Odd Fellow, when he is away from home and out of his own jurisdiction, to give attention and care to his brothers in distress, and watch with the sick when necessary, as well as when he is in his own jurisdiction; and further,

"Resolved, It is and shall be the duty of every member of the Order, on taking up his residence away from the vicinity of his own Lodge, to report himself to the Lodge nearest his residence; or when it is equally near to two or more Lodges, to one thereof, within thirty days after taking up such residence. And in making such report, he shall give the name and number and location of his Lodge, and when requested by the Lodge to which he has reported, shall watch with the sick who, like himself, are away from home and their own jurisdiction; and any such member so failing to report shall not be entitled to affiliate with the Order, nor to attention from any Lodge. And this legislation shall not be construed to hinder or prevent any Lodge or member from furnishing watchers, or giving attention to any sick or needy brother."

I therefore hold that the Lodge was right in the case named, and the

brother was wrong The decision above made may possibly be wrong, but I believe it is in line with the spirit of the legislation of 1887, it being the idea to make a visitor, who asked for and received attention when sick, to do his part when well, the same as ope of the Lodge he visited and reported to.

This decision was not approved by the Sovereign Lodge.)

Q. Have the Past Grands of any prescribed territory the right to organize themselves into an association, taking the name, or any similar one, of a "Past Grands' Association of -

A. The question is one of considerable doubt, as there seems to be a disrepancy between the law as written and strictly construed, and the usage and practice; although I think the discrepancy is more apparent than real. The law prohibits conventions of members of the Order to influence legislation, as well as the organization of any body not authorized by the laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, which shall require, as a

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requisite for membership, good standing in the Order. The Sovereign Grand Lodge, however, has rather encouraged the formation of Odd Fellows for social purposes, as witness the Past Grand Representatives' Union, composed of those who have been Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and of which organization the Junior Past Grand Sire is always the President; also, the organization of associations of Past Grand Masters, which exist in many jurisdictions, one such being, I understand, in Ohio. These social organizations already being in existerice, I can see no very good reason, nor, indeed, do I find any positive enactment, prohibiting Past Grands within any designated territory from forming themselves into a social organization, provided they do not attempt to usurp any legislative functions which must belong to recognized bodies of the Order.

I therefore come to the conclusion that it is permissible for Past Grands of any prescribed territory to form a Past Grands' Association, unless such is positively forbidden expressly by the Subordinate Grand Jurisdiction, and certainly they should be allowed to do so, with the

assent of such jurisdiction.

No. 14. Q. Does continuous good standing, as applied to qualifications for a veteran jewel, demand that a brother, to be entitled to a veteran jewel, shall not be at any time during the twenty-five years' period in arrears for dues to his Subordinate Lodge; or if a member failed once only during the twenty-five years to pay his dues as required by the By-Laws of his Lodge, and thereby became in bad standing and not entitled to benefits for any sickness, would this fact disqualify him from receiving

A. It is my opinion that a fair and reasonable construction of the law relating to the veteran jewel is, that when a member of the Order has been continuously a member of a Subordinate Lodge and carried on its rolls, not having been suspended for any cause, the fact that he may have been one or more years in arrears for his dues, thereby being temporarily deprived of the right to draw benefits during sickness, does not deprive him of the right to receive and wear the veteran jewel. If he has been a member of a Subordinate Lodge, or Lodges, for twenty-five years, without having been suspended, he has a right to the jewel. It is further my decision, that where a brother has taken a withdrawal card from his Lodge, and has within twelve months thereafter deposited the same and has been admitted to membership in another the fact of such intermission in his active membership in a Lodge does not break his continuous membership in the Order so as to preclude him from claiming the veteran jewel. If, however, he permits more than twelve months to elapse from the date of taking his withdrawal card, and depositing it in another Lodge, he then becomes an Ancient Odd Fellow, and breaks his continuous membership, and is not entitled to wear the jewel. Of course, if after his second admission to a Lodge a period of twenty-five years of continuous membership intervenes, he is entitled to

No. 15. Q. Can a Lodge legally grant relief from its general fund to the widow of a member who died in bad standing, resulting from non-

A. Yes, when not prohibited by the State Grand Body.

No. 16. Q. Can a Lodge legally grant relief from its general fund to persons in distress outside of the Order?

A. It can not.

No. 17. Q. The Secretary of a Lodge retains moneys paid in as dues and uses them for his own purposes. After the Lodge learns the facts it takes a note from the defaulting officer in settlement for the money; can the Lodge after such settlement punish the brother for retaining said moneys?

A. The question asked is somewhat difficult to answer, as much depends on what are the civil laws of the jurisdiction, that is, the State laws, as to embezzlement. The general rule of penal statutes is, that a party converting money to his own use, it being the property of another, is liable to an action by the party injured to recover the amount embezzled; he is also liable to a criminal prosecution on behalf of the State or government to punish him for the crime he has committed. The two rights, one to recover the money, the other to punish the crime, are separate and distinct. I therefore hold that the settlement of the indebtedness caused by the embezzlement of the Secretary, by taking his note, does not relieve him from a criminal prosecution for the same, consequently the Lodge can prefer charges against him for the offence, which is, as before stated, embezzlement, and conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow. The taking of a note does not work a pardon of the offence. This opinion, however, may not be correct, for the penal code of the Province of Ontario may not be in accord with the usual rules of the criminal law as to this offence, and may provide that a settlement of the debt shall be a condonation of the offence.

On this question the Judiciary Committee submitted the following

report, which was adopted:

We cannot concur in that part of the decision which suggests that the conclusion reached by the Grand Sire may be erroneous, by reason of the fact that the penal code of Ontario may "provide that a settlement of the debt shall be a condonation of the offence." The offence stated is a violation of the obligation of Odd Fellowship. In the judgment of the committee it is not competent for a statute making provision for the condonation of the offence of embezzlement as between the citizen and the State, to effectuate a condonation of an offence against Odd Fellowship, as between an Odd Fellow and his lodge. A member may be odd Fellowship without reference to the question of his liability to conviction under the criminal laws of the State. Your committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the 17th decision of the Grand Sire be amended so

that the answer shall read as follows:

"Answer. Yes."

No. 18. Q. A brother sues the Lodge because of reduction in sick benefits. He loses his case. Has the Lodge the right to retain accruing benefits as a set off for the cost in the case allowed the Lodge by the court?

A. As a general proposition, the Lodge has such a right, though this may not be the case in some jurisdictions where the municipal law may otherwise provide. of Co office, in con

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No. 19. Q. Under the Uniform Constitution for Subordinate Lodges of Colorado, it is provided that where there is but one candidate for an office, "he may be declared elected by acclamation"; is such provision in conflict with general law?

A. It is not. The Grand Lodge of Colorado had a right to make such a provision in its Constitution for the government of Subordinate Lodges.

No. 20. Q. Is it legal to ballot on the application of a candidate for the first degree of Friendship, the second degree, or third degree, at a special meeting called for that purpose?

A. It is not; unless the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction has provided for such special meetings; in the absence of such authority it would not be proper to ballot for any degree at a special meeting.

No. 21. Q. Can a Subordinate Lodge hold memorial services, in accordance with proclamation of the Grand Sire which proclamation, Can a Subordinate Lodge hold memorial services, in designates "the second Tuesday in June, or on such other day as may be practicable," on a Sunday?

A. While our laws forbid the holding of Lodge meetings on Sunday for general or regular Ldoge business, and such meetings are illegal, yet it is legal and proper for Subordinate Lodges to meet on Sundays to attend the funeral of a brother. I therefore think that the members of a Lodge, meeting to hold memorial services in honor of the worthy dead of the Order, and decorate their graves, is not only not illegal to be held on a Sunday, but that for many reasons is the most appropriate time; of course, each Lodge must be the judge of which day is practicable for it to hold such services.

No. 22. O. Can a Subordinate Lodge pass a resolution providing that if any of its members enlist in the present war between the United States and Spain, that their dues and assessments will be paid by the Lodge out of the treasury, so that said members may be kept in good standing until their return home?

Under our laws, a Lodge cannot remit dues, nor can it draw money from its treasury to pay dues for any class of members, no matter how meritorious such members may be; therefore, I decide the question asked in the negative, with this qualification, however, that the Lodge may, out of the five per cent. fund which it is authorized to set apart for any purpose it may see proper, pay the dues of any class of its members.

No. 23. Statement. The Constitution of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina, Article 10, Section 1, reads as follows: "The Constitution shall not be altered, amended, or annulled, unless a proposition to that effect be made in writing, at a regular Communication, and laid over until the next annual Communication, and adopted by a majority of three-fourths of the members present." At the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., of South Carolina, 1896, a committee was appointed to revise the Constitution and By Laws of the Grand Lodge, and to report to the next annual Communication. The committee reported at the annual Communication, 1897, and made various changes in our Constitution and By-laws. Their report was adopted by the Grand Lodge.

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No. 24. Q. Is the adoption of the committee report legal, or should it have lain over till the next Annual Communication?

A. Its adoption at the time was illegal. It should have lain over for one year, or until the next Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge. See Section 428, White's Digest, edition of 1895.

No. 25. Q. Has a Grand Master the right to grant a Dispensation to one or more Lodges to solicit subscriptions from the members of the Order throughout its jurisdiction for the purpose of erecting a monument to a worthy member of the Order?

A. He has the right to give such permission, provided the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction has passed no law declaring that permission to solicit aid for any purpose must be granted by the Grand Lodge only. That a Grand Lodge, or a Grand Master, unless prohibited by such Grand Lodge, may grant permission to a Lodge to solicit aid even for an individual member, seems to have been decided by the Sovereign Grand Lodge. See Sections 1558 and 1559, White's Digest, edition of 1895.

No. 26. Q. When a Lodge elects a brother to membership, who makes application upon a visiting card, and certifies his election to the Lodge issuing the visiting card, and asks for a withdrawal card, should not the Noble Grand and Secretary immediately issue a card without action of the Lodge, all fees and dues being paid, unless charges are preferred? By analogy, will not the law that requires a dismissal certificate to be issued without action of the Lodge govern in this case?

A. Were this an original question, that is, one that has never been actually passed upon by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I would hold that, under the facts stated, the Noble Grand and Secretary should issue the withdrawal card, without any action of the Lodge directing them so to do, were it not for the fact that the decision of Grand Sire Busbee, made in 1891, holds: "It is necessary that the Lodge to which a brother applies for membership should notify the Lodge issuing the visiting card, of his election; and thereupon the brother must apply for the necessary withdrawal card or certificate; but the Secretary of the Lodge may apply for such card or certificate, at the instance and by the authority of the brother." See White's Digest, Section 6669, edition of 1895. This contemplates clearly that an application shall be made to the Lodge, and not to an officer of the Lodge.

The reason for compelling an application to be made to the Lodge, probably was that it was thought possible that a brother, after obtaining a visiting card, might have been guilty of some improper conduct, and that the Lodge issuing such card should have the right to inquire into such matter before giving the withdrawal card. I therefore hold that a Lodge must by its action grant the card, and that without such authorization the Noble Grand and Secretary cannot issue it.

No. 27. Q. What action should be taken, if a Lodge, on ballot being taken, refuses to grant a withdrawal card when a brother has been elected to membership in another Lodge upon application with a visiting card?

A. If the visiting card was regularly and legally issued, and no charges had been filed against the brother during the period between its issuar refuses t were clea

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its issuance and the application for a withdrawal card, if the Lodge then refuses to issue it, it would be the duty of the Grand Master, if the facts were clear and undisputed, to direct the Lodge to issue such card.

REBEKAH DECISIONS.

No. 33. Can a Rebekah Lodge, instituted the last of April, elect and install officers in June, or should they hold over?

A. Where a Rebekah Lodge is organized and instituted during the last half of a term, say in April, the officers elected at the institution hold over during the June term, and the term for which they hold will be styled a special term. See Sections 1507 and 1510, White's Digest, edition of 1895.

No. 34. Q. Can the Grand Lodge delegate the power to the President of the Rebekah Assembly to act ad interim on appeals from Rebekah Lodges, with a proviso that any Lodge or individual feeling aggrieved by such decision "shall appeal to the Grand Master, whose decisions must be final, until reversed by the Grand Lodge," or should the appeal be taken direct to the Grand Master for his decision?

A. The Grand Lodge, in my judgment, can so delegate its powers, and if it so delegates them, the appeal lies in the first place to the President of the Rebekah Assembly, with the right of appeal from her decision to the Grand Master.

No. 35. Q. Can the Grand Lodge delegate to the President of the Assembly power to act ad interim (without the approval of the Grand Master), and render decisions and answer all questions of law and usage arising in Rebekah Lodges, and to stand as law till reviewed and passed upon by the Judiciary Committee at the succeeding Grand Lodge; or should all questions of law and usage of Rebekah Lodges be submitted to the Grand Master for his decision?

A. It seems to me that the creating of Rebekah Assemblies, and formulating laws for them, clearly indicates that the design of the Sovereign Grand Lodge was to allow them full power to govern Subordinate Rebekah Lodges, if the Grand Lodges of the several jurisdictions choose to clothe them with such power. I therefore answer by saying that the Grand Lodge can delegate such authority as you have named to the President of the Rebekah Assembly. See Sections 30 and 32, Rebekah Code.

No. 36. Q. .Can the Grand Lodge delegate to the President of the Rebekah Assembly the authority, ad interim, to approve By-Laws of Subordinate Rebekah Lodges?

A. It can.

No. 37. Q. Can the President of the Rebekah Assembly, ad interim, grant dispensations to Rebekah Lodges without the approval of the Grand Master?

A. She can, provided such authority has been granted by the Grand Lodge of her jurisdiction.

No. 38. Q. Has the Grand Lodge the power to grant the Rebekah Assembly the right to make a law that an appeal from Rebekah Lodges shall be made to the Rebekah Assembly?

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A. That a Grand Lodge may grant such a right; the law as found in White's Digest, Article 1178, seems to have been repealed by necessary implication, by the adoption of the Rebekah Code, adopted after the law as found in said article, and by the terms of such Rebekah Code. See Sections 30 and 32 thereof. It seems to have been the intention to allow Grand Lodges to invest Rebekah Assemblies with a large amount of power to regulate the affairs of this branch of the Order—Section 32, providing that appeals from the "decision" or action of a Rebekah Assembly shall be made to the Grand Lodge of its jurisdiction, etc.

No. 39. Q. Can an expelled member of a Rebekah Lodge be reinstated without the permission of the Graud Mastef, or, in other words, will permission of the President of the Assembly be sufficient?

A. Under the law, as found in White's Digest, Article 743, a Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction may confer the power on a Grand Master during the recess, to grant a petition from a Subordinate Lodge to restore an expelled member to said Lodge. I therefore have to hold, that under the idea that Grand Lodges have the power to clothe Rebekah Assemblies with larger powers for the government of their Subordinate Rebekah Lodges, that if such general powers have been so conferred upon Rebekah Assemblies, that such Assemblies the right to authorize and empower the President of such Assemblies to grant permission to restore expelled members of Subordinate Rebekah Lodges; but without such direct authority from the Assembly, no matter how undoubted may be the power of the Assembly to act in such matters, the President can not grant such authority, no more than a Grand Master could in the absence of authority of his Grand Lodge.

No. 40. Q. Is there any rule of law to prevent a young Rebekah Lodge making up white robes for the team, as the sisters may elect to do, to be used in the work, pending the time the lodge is able financially to buy something better?

A. There is not. Any Rebekah Lodge may, if it deem it proper, make up for themselves any regalia or robes, only such regalia must be as prescribed by the law.

No. 41. Q. Does the marriage of a Rebekah sister to one not an Odd Fellow in any way affect her standing as a Rebekah member?

A. It does not.

No. 42. Q. Should the Recording Secretary of Rebekah Lodges of the Financial Secretary sign the official certificate showing payment of

A. When a Rebekah Lodge has a Financial Secretary, that officer should sign; if a Rebekah Lodge has no Financial Secretary, then the Secretary should sign.

No. 43. Q. If a degree of Rebekah Lodge meets every week and wishes to meet only once every two weeks, will it be necessary for them to ask for a special dispensation?

A. Where the By-Laws of a Rebekah Lodge, duly approved by the competent authority, provides for weekly meetings, the Lodge can legally change the number of meetings from weekly to twice a month, by

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changing the By-Laws, and where there is no provision that the President of the Rebekah Assembly shall have authority to approve amendments to By-Laws, they can only be approved by action of the Assembly. The regular time of meeting cannot be 'altered or permitted by issuing a special dispensation, although a dispensation can be issued to such Lodge, and will be lawful to hold a special meeting at a time not provided for in the By-Laws.

No. 44. Q. Where the Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction authorizes the President of a Rebekah Assembly to appoint and commission deputies for Rebekah Lodges, what should be the title of such deputies?

A. The title of such officer is District Deputy President.

No. 45. Statement. A woman joins a Rebekah Lodge: some months after she moves to another town in the same jurisdiction, where she makes application to a Rebekah Lodge located there for admission by initiation. She is duly elected before it is learned by the last named Lodge that she held membership in another Lodge. She never applied for nor received a card from the Lodge she first joined.

Q. What is her status as a member? What law, if any, has she violated? What action or decree should the Grand Master make in this

A. She is still a member of the first Lodge she joined, never having legally become a member of the last named Lodge. She is liable to have charges preferred against her in the first Lodge, and while she acted in possible ignorance of the law, of which the Lodge must be the judge on the trial, such ignorance, if proven, may be taken in mitigation of the offence, which is seeking to become a member of a Lodge by fraudulent misrepresentation. The Grand Master, after his attention has been called to the case, should direct the second Lodge to strike the name of the woman from the roll of membership, and notify the Lodge to which she really belongs to prefer charges against her. I think in this case, if the woman erred through ignorance, it might be well, if she is otherwise worthy, for the first Lodge to ignore her offence, ask her to apply for a withdrawal card, so that she can deposit it in the Lodge where she now resides. This would get the matter straight, and, perhaps, save a worthy woman to the Order. This last, however, is a mere suggestion, not official. My answer to the query is the law, as I construe it.

No. 46. Q. May a sister, a member of a Rebekah Lodge, prefer charges against a brother in his Subordinate Lodge, and would the Lodge have jurisdiction of the brother in the matter, and could it proceed to trial upon charges so preferred?

A. In the case you cite, the sister of a Rebekah Lodge can prefer charges against a brother of a Subordinate Lodge, but in the absence of local legislation upon the subject, should first present such charges in the usual form to the Rebekah Lodge of which she is a member. Such Rebekah Lodge shall forthwith forward to the Lodge to which the accused is a member a certified copy of the charges, over the signature of the N. G. and Secretary, and attested by the seal of the Lodge, and the Lodge to whom such charges are made shall proceed to hear and determine the same in like manner as if preferred by a member of its own

body. See Section 1624, White's Digest, edition of 1895. I hold that this Article, 1624, applies as well to members of Rebekah Lodges as to other members of the Order, although they are not specifically mentioned in said article.

No. 47. Q. The legal title of Rebekah Lodges having been fixed as "Rebekah Lodges" by legislation enacted in 1891, can such Lodges instituted previous to that date continue to use a seal with any other title, such as "D. of R." Degree, etc.?

A. Under the legislation referred to, the old designation of Reckah Lodges was changed from Lodges of "Daughters of Rebekah Lodges," consequently the seals used by such Lodges should conform to their style as so fixed; therefore I hold that it is not proper to use a seal with a designation of the name on it as it was before the name was changed. The Grand Masters should call the attention of Rebekah Lodges to this, and direct them to procure seals with the proper name and title. The use of a seal with the old name thereon, it seems to me, is improper, as it would be for a Lodge to use an old seal after such Lodge has changed its name with assent of the Grand Lodge.

No. 48. Q. As to the right of a President of an Assembly, to whom has been granted the right to appoint and commission District Deputy Presidents, to formulate and give out the Term Pass-word?

A. That where such authority is given to the Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction, the President of the Assembly has the right. See Section 36 of the Code of Laws for the Government of Lodges, to be found on page 349. White's Digest, edition of 1895.

No. 49. Q. Has any jurisdiction the right to confer the Assembly Degree upon Past Grands of Subordinate Lodges, who are *not* Past Noble Grands of Rebekah Lodges?

A. It has.

No. 50. Q. Must Rebekah Lodges go without representation in the Assembly until they have a P_i , P_i , P_i , P_i and P_i and P_i are P_i and P_i are P_i are P_i are P_i and P_i are P_i and P_i are P_i and P_i are $P_$

A. A representative from a Rebekah Lodge to a Rebekah Assembly must possess the qualifications required by law, and if the Lodge has not among the members in good standing such qualified members, it may elect as its representative a member of another Rebekah Lodge who does possess the requisite qualifications, providing the Constitution of the Rebekah Assembly of the jurisdiction so permits. See Section 483, White's Digest, edition of 1885.

No. 51. Statement. The S. G. L. of 1896 approved the following decision of Grand Sire Stebbins, it being as follows: "Brothers in a Rebekah Lodge, no matter what their position, official or otherwise, can only wear the regalia of the Subordinate Lodge." At the session of 1897, the S. G. L. approved your decision, which is in direct contradiction to the one first quoted, your decision being as follows: "When any one is elected to office in a Rebekah Lodge, whether male or female, he or she must wear the regalia provided by the for such office." The first decision was incorporated as law in Section 25 of the Rebekah Code, which remains to-day as in 1896.

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Q. Which decision takes precedence, the one approved in 1896 or 1897? Which is law now?

A. In answering the question, which I now do, I must first correct the statement, which is quoted just as it is submitted by the Representative, for it states as facts some things which are not so, in a very important particular. After the decision of 1897 had been approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge (see page 15532, JOURNAL of 1897), the Sovereign Grand Lodge adopted the report of the Committee on the Degree of Rebekah, which materially changed Section 25 of the Code for the Government of Rebekah Lodges, striking out from the section the provision, "the brethren shall wear the regalia they are entitled to wear in a Subordinate

Lodge. The sisters shall wear regalia and jewels as follows: "The Committee in the report, after specifying the regalia to be worn by each elective and appointive officer, proceed as follows: "All of the foregoing shall apply to all officers and Past Noble Grands, irrespective of sex. Brethren who are not officers nor Past Noble Grands, shall wear the regalia they are entitled to wear in a Subordinate Lodge. Sisters who are not officers nor Past Noble Grands shall wear badges or collars of pink and green, not exceeding three inches in width." See JOURNAL of 1897, page 15643 et seq. Thus the statement, as made by the brother asking the decision, is materially wrong as to the correct facts. To answer now the broad question, I reply that the Sovereign Grand Lodge, having approved a decision of the Grand Sire, which is, or appears to be, in conflict with a former decision of that officer, the last approved decision stands as existing law, until reversed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

MISCELLANEOUS DECISIONS.

No. 62. Q. In the new Subordinate Ritual, a Rebekah sign is spoken of. Is this the same sign given in Rebekah work for recognizing brothers?

A. It is.

No. 63. Q. Does the decision, "It is a brother's right to vote a secret ballot," apply to a poll for the election of officers and representatives where written ballots are used?

A. It does.

No. 64. Q. Would a brother who endeavored to find out the names of those voting for the candidates be guilty of an offense under our laws?

A. He would not; it being understood that this answer applies only to voting for officers of the body, and not for balloting for candidates for admission, either by initiation or affiliation, in which last named case the ballot must be secret, and no one has any right to endeavor to ascertain how any one other person voted.

No. 65. Q. A committee being appointed to investigate charges against the "tellers or scrutineers" at an election for officers, can said committee order brothers voting at said election to expose the character of their votes and tell for whom they voted?

A. Where the election of an officer is contested, the body in which the election took place has a right, through such agencies as it may create, to find out and ascertain how and for whom each ballot was cast. In such

case, if the written ballots were preserved, they would be the best evidence, but if not preserved, the several members voting could legally be examined as to how they voted.

No 66. Statement. A brother is granted a withdrawal card from his Subordinate Lodge on December 14, 1896; on September 10, 1897, he applies for admission by card, and is rejected; on December 1, 1897, he applies for a withdrawal card from the Rebekah Lodge.

Q. Is he entitled to a withdrawal card from the Rebekah Lodge,

and to visit on the same in Rebekah Lodges for one year thereafter

A. The Rebekah Lodge of which he is a member has the right to grant him a withdrawal card, and when it has been so granted he has a right to visit upon it for twelve months after its date.

No. 67. Q. Can a brother deposit the receipt in another Lodge for admission, the same as a visiting card?

A. Yes.

No. 68. Q. Has the Lodge the right to appropriate the funds of the Lodge to pay railroad fare or carriage hire of its members and officers to attend the funeral or burial of a member of their own or any other Lodge?

A. It has not the right to make such appropriation. See Decision No. 31, approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, at its session of 1897, as found, with approval, on pages, 15168, 15534, 15584, 150urnal of Proceedings. This decision does not, however, prohibit the Lodge from making the appropriation from the five per cent. authorized to be set apart by Lodges, with consent of Grand Lodge, for certain special purposes as provided for in the law, as found in Article 378, of White's Digest, last edition; but the inhibition applies fully to appropriations made out of the general fund.

No. 69. Q. If an officer of degree staff enter from or retire to an ante-room through a doorway other than the one in charge of the Inside Guardian, must they address the Chair, as directed on page 33, of the

A. He or they need not; the team work contemplates the entrance of the team at certain points in their work, through some other entrance than the regular entrance to their lodge room.

No. 70. Q. Can the holder of an unexpired withdrawal card be a petitioner for a new Lodge and become a charter member, without either the A.T.P.W. (or A.P.W. if a Rebekah Lodge) or an order for it?

A. He can. His card is the authority for becoming such petitioner; possession or non-possession of such word does not affect his right.

No. 71. Statement. A member of the Order is charged with conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow (using insulting language to the Noble Grand of his Rebekah Lodge). He is, on trial, found guilty. The Constitution provides a penalty of suspension or expulsion for the offence of which the member was convicted. The Lodge refused to enforce that penalty. The matter was appealed to the Grand Lodge. The Committee of Appeals reported that the evidence of the brother's guilt was overwhelming and ordered it back to the Lodge for the enforcement of the whelming, and ordered it back to the Lodge for the enforcement of the

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penalty, and the Grand Lodge approved the report. The lodge suspended the member for 24 hours. The Lodge met Saturday night.

Would you consider such a suspension reasonable, a sufficient punishment, and a compliance with the mandate of the Grand Lodge?

A. Where there is a minimum and a maximum punishment prescribed by law, it is the province of the trial body to prescribe and fix the punishment. Unless the Constitution of your jurisdiction fixes the minimum period of suspension, the Lodge had a right to fix any period it chose. The punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishment adjudged by the Lodge does not strike an investigation of the punishmen impartial observer as being adequate, but it having the legal right to fix the punishment, and it being within the terms of the law, its decision must stand, as it has inflicted some punishment.

No. 72. Q. Are printed ballots legal?

A. They are. I know of no law which forbids their use in an election, although it may not be in good taste to have them prepared in advance of an election, as savoring too much of electioneering.

No. 73. Q. Where a Lodge (Subordinate or Rebekan), or a Subordinate Encampment, has the office of Secretary or Scribe divided between two persons, one having charge of the records, etc., and the other of the accounts, what is the official title of each one?

A. The officer of a Subordinate Lodge or Rebekah Lodge, and of a Subordinate Encampment, having charge of the records, is known as described officially in the case of a Lodge as "Secretary," and in the case of an Encampment as "Scribe;" where the Lodge has another officer to take charge of its finances and accounts, such officer is styled officially as the "Financial Secretary," and in a similar case in the Encampment is styled "Financial Scribe."

No. 74. Q. Is it a violation of law of the Order to publish in an Odd Fellows' periodical notices of expulsion of members from the Order, after such notice of expulsion has been promulgated by the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge to the Subordinate Lodges by circular letters?

A. It is not a violation of the laws of the Order so to do.

No. 76. Q. Can an officer-elect be installed into office, he being twelve weeks in arrears for dues, the uniform Constitution for Subordinate-Lodges of the jurisdiction requiring a member to be thirteen weeks in arrears for dues, before he becomes non-beneficial? In other words, a member of this jurisdiction is in good standing until he becomes thirteen

A. The officer-elect being in good standing, according to the Constitution, he is eligible for installation into office, providing he has performed such previous service in other offices as is required by law.

By the by-laws of a Lodge in Oregon, it is provided That in conducting the funeral of a brother of this Lodge in good standing, who is to be buried in a cemetery beyond the city limits, the Noble Grand is hereby authorized to procure at the expense of the Lodge a sufficient number of conveyances, of which he shall be sole judge, to accommodate such brothers as he may appoint to assist him, and to proceed to such cemetery and perform the funeral ceremony of the Order,

provided such expense shall not exceed the sum of fifteen dollars." Is such by-law legal?

A. It is not. The Sovereign Grand Lodge, at its session in Springfield in 1897, approved a decision of the Grand Sire, No. 31, to be found on page 15, 168 of the proceedings of said session, by which it was declared that a Lodge had not the right to appropriate the funds of the Lodge to pay railroad fare and carriage hire of its members to attend the funeral of a member who died and was buried several miles from the Lodge room. This decision stands, therefore, as one of the laws of the Order, and under it, no Lodge has a right to pass such a by-law as is quoted, but a Lodge may appropriate money from the five per cent. fund, authorized to be set apart for such uses as it may deem proper, for the purpose of hiring conveyances to transport brothers to the funeral of a deceased member.

No. 78. Q. The Constitution of the Grand Lodge (Oregon) prescribes no residence qualification. Under same, is it legal for one Lodge to prescribe by by-law that no person can petition the Lodge who has not resided in the state three months, for another to require four months and another six months' residence?

A. The Sovereign Grand Lodge, not having passed any general law specifying what length of residence in a jurisdiction shall be required of persons applying for membership in a Lodge situated therein, it would be perfectly legal for the several subordinate Grand Bodies to fix such period, and where such period has not been so fixed it seems to be within the powers of Subordinate Lodges to fix such period by their by-laws, which by-laws, of course, must be approved by the Grand Body to which such body is subordinate.

No. 79. Q. Has any jurisdiction the right to confer the assembly degree upon Past Grands of Subordinate Lodges, who are not Past Noble Grands of Rebekah Lodges?

A. It has.

No. 80. Q. The Rebekah Ritual provides that brothers should wear the regalia they are entitled to wear in the Subordinate Lodge, etc. Is it proper for a brother who holds office, when sitting in a Subordinate Lodge, to wear the regalia and jewel of such office when sitting in a Rebekah Lodge?

A. The law governing the Rebekah branch provides that officers of a Rebekah Lodge, whether brothers or sisters, shall wear the official regalia of the office. The code was amended to this effect at the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, held in Springfield in 1897. A brother member of a Rebekah Lodge, not an officer of such Lodge, shall wear the regalia he is entitled to wear in a Subordinate Lodge. For this law see pages 15,641-2, Journal of Proceedings, S.G.L., session of 1897. The law being what it is, I decide that a brother, not an officer of a Rebekah Lodge, can wear the regalia he is entitled to wear in a Subordinate Lodge.

No. 81. Q. Is it a violation of Sect. 5 of Art. XVI., S.G.L. Con-

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stitution, for a brother, to open and conduct a saloon, he being at the time a bar-tender rightfully and legally so employed?

The Judiciary Committee presented the following report on the 16th decision, but it was rejected :

Your Committee on the Judiciary have considered the 16th decision of the Grand Sire, which is as follows:

No. 16. Q. "Can a Lodge legally grant relief from its general fund to persons in distress outside of the Order?"

"It cannot." And report that we cannot concur with said decision Odd Fellowship is so progressive that it has grown to become, and is recognized to be a benevolent organization, going hand in hand with its purposes so essentially deemed fraternal. To aid persons in diswith its purposes so essentially deemed fraternal. To aid persons in distress is in the highest degree commendable, and why should our Order, the principles of which are so essential in aid of suffering, withhold from the distressed a practical application of the helping hand? Subordinate Lodges, if not prohibited by the State Grand Body, should be permitted to grant relief from its general fund to persons in distress, although not members of the Order, but in doing so exercise discretion that is in keeping with a proper husbanding of its resources/required to aid distress within the Order. We, therefore, recommend the answer to the question (16) be—Yes; if not prohibited by the Subordinate to the question (16) be-Yes; if not prohibited by the Subordinate

NEW LEGISLATION ADOPTED.

That the Grand Secretary shall send to the Committee on Appeals no record on appeal, unless the same is certified, as by our laws required; and when any appeal shall be received by the Grand Secretary, not so certified, he shall immediately return it for proper certification.

That in all cases of appeal to this Grand Lodge, the appellant, at the Inat in an cases or appear to this Grand Lodge, the appellant, at the time the appeal is filed, shall notify the appellee of such filing; and thereafter either party filing any argument or brief shall serve a copy on the opposite party. When a Grand Lodge is appellee such service shall be by sending the copy to the Grand Secretary of such Grand Lodge.

That all existing laws requiring the Grand Secretary to furnish the bound Journals of this Grand Lodge to members free of cost be, and the same are hereby repealed, and such journals shall hereafter be furnished to members and past members ordering the same at cost and carriage.

That the persons who are the beneficiaries of the funeral benefit are the widow, orphans (under the age of twenty-one years), or the dependent relatives of the deceased, or relatives upon whom the deceased was dependent at the time of death. In the event of the death of a member in good standing not possessing any of the above-named beneficiaries of a funeral benefit, and leaving no estate or insufficient assets to pay the expenses of funeral, the Lodge shall pay the bill of the undertaker and other necessary expenses to an amount not exceeding the funeral bene-

That the State Grand Jurisdictions, by their respective Grand Secretaries and Grand Scribes, shall each make a return annually to the That the Grand Secretary transmit a certified copy of this report to each dependent jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge.

That on the occasion of future parades and other public ceremonies of the Order, Subordinate Encampments be allowed to wear the old or royal purple degree uniform.

That Sec. 531, digest of 1895, relative to Odd Fellows' homes and Subordinate Lodges and Encampments making detailed reports of property owned by them to Grand Secretaries, be repealed.

That the form of charter for Rebekah Assemblies, provided for (pages 15,611, 15,634, Journal 1897), be printed by the Grand Secretary, and sold as other supplies to Grand Jurisdictions requesting them.

That hereafter the Grand Sire in making his decisions shall send a copy only to the parties in interest, and that the decisions be not printed until submitted to the Sovereign Grand Lodge for approval.

That the Committee on Printing Supplies be and hereby are instructed to leave a blank line in all official certificates hereafter printed, in which the date of payment of any money to the secretary of a Lodge may be inserted.

That all legislation heretofore enacted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge I.O.O.F. in any way recognizing or authorizing life or accident insurance in the name of Odd Fellowship be, and the same is hereby repealed, and further, that all certificates heretofore issued to such life or accident insurance companies are hereby revoked.

That the possession of an official certificate for dues paid to a date later than that when the same is presented, properly signed by the Secretary and Noble Grand of the Lodge, or the Scribe and Chief Patriarch of the Bucampment issuing same, with the seal properly attached, be and the same is hereby declared; sufficient, proper, and legal authority for any Noble Grand or Chief Patriarch, upon proper identification, to communicate to the holder thereof the current travelling password of the Order.

That the several Subordinate Grand Bodies be, and they are hereby fully authorized to declare in the several jurisdictions what length of time or what sum of dues a brother shall owe for dues to constitute such brother non-beneficial, and that Decision No. 17, as reported by the Grand Sire, and approved by this body, be, and the same is hereby made to apply to and to control only such Lodges as are under the immediate jurisdiction of this Sovereign Grand Lodge.

MATTERS CONCERNING ONTARIO PARTICULARLY.

Rep. Woodyatt, under instructions from the Grand Lodge of Ontario, moved the following, which was referred to the Committee on Legislation:

Resolved, That such legislation be enacted by this Sovereign Grand Lodge as will simplify the present cumbersome method of conducting the trial of a brother who may be charged with an offence against the laws of

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The Committee on Legislation reported thereon, the following which was adopted:

After due consideration, your committee are of the opinion that the procedure of taking evidence from one jurisdiction to which a brother belongs to the one in which he resides is ample, and offer the following:

Resolved, That the resolution be not adopted, and the committee discharged from further consideration of same.

Rep. Woodyatt, under instructions from the Grand Lodge of Onfario, moved the following, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

Whereas, The Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, acting in good faith on his reading of the instructions issued by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, certified to the Sovereign Body the total number of old rituals received and destroyed.

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Whereas, The number of rituals received and destroyed exceeded by seventy-six the number of rituals purchased from the Sovereign Body, thus entailing a loss to the Grand Lodge of Ontario of seventy-six dollars; and.

Whereas, Various interpretations have heretofore been placed on the instructions concerning the allowances to be made for old rituals,

Resolved, That the sum of seventy-six dollars be placed to the credit of the Grand Lodge of Ontario as allowance for such old rituals destroyed.

The Committee on Finance reported thereon the following, which was adopted:

That we are of the opinion that the subject of exchange of rituals was definitely settled at the last session of this Grand Lodge.

We, therefore, recommend that the resolution be not adopted.

The Committee on the Degree of Rebekah, to whom was referred the following, presented by Rep. Ross of Ontario, viz:

"By some misunderstanding of the law, some of the Rebekah Lodges in Ontario have been changing officers at the end of each semi-annual term, though meeting semi-monthly instead of at the close of the annual term, and, therefore, the Noble Grands of those lodges are not entitled to the honors of the office according to the Constitution; therefore, the assembly asks this Grand Lodge to cause the Grand Master or President of the Rebekah Assembly to issue a circular giving these officers the honors of the office, they having filled, as they thought, the full term."

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Submitted the following report, which was adopted:
After due consideration, that in our opinion no action is required by
this Grand Lodge. Section 20 of the Rebekah Degree Code provides that
"A Rebekah Lodge may have six months' terms, if its By-Laws so provide, and may meet semi-monthly, in which event thirteen meetings would constitute a term, and seven a majority of nights of the term. We therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of the

The Committee on Appeals made the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of Jas. T. Johns, of Ottawa Lodge, No. 224, I.O.O.F., of Ontario, against the action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, would respectfully report that we have examined the same and find .

ist. That the papers do not show that consent to make such appeal was given by the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

and. That the papers do not show that Bro. Johns'is a member of this Grand Lodge, and therefore, entitled to appeal without consent.

3rd. That there are no certified copies of the Grand and Subordinate Constitutions of Ontario furnished, as is required by the laws of this Grand Body.

We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution: Resolved, That the appeal of James T. Johns against the Grand Lodge of Ontario be dismissed.

Bro. Woodyatt did not take part in the consideration of this appeal.

And perusual of the following may be of use to enquiring members, and prevent disappointment, the report being adopted:

Your Committee on the Judiciary has had referred to it, inquires and

request in respect to construction of law, to wit In respect to filling vacancies in the representative-ship to State Grand Bodies

In respect to the conferring of the Rebekah Assembly Degree on Past Grands.

As to duplicate charters issued by Grand Lodges and Encampments. As to certain sections of the Constitution of the Subordinate Lodges

of Rhode Island, and questions by representatives. Your Committee respectfully reports as to each of these inquiries that it is not in the province or jurisdiction of this Committee to answer them

directly or indirectly: its meaning is clear.

Article XXIX. By Laws of the Sovereign Grand Lodge reads as follows: "The Sovereign Grand Lodge will neither entertain nor consider any inquiry as to what are the laws or usages of the Order, unless the same be brought before the body by appeal, from the decision of lodge or encampment, or, unless the same be presented by a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment

It has frequently been decided (White's Digest, Sec. 1,277) that this law is not to be evaded directly or indirectly, if meaning is clear.

The inquiries referred to us are clearly within the prohibition of the By-laws and the decisions under it.

We, therefore, beg to be relieved from further consideration of the subject.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION.

Amend Article IX., Section 3, to read as follows:

A Grand Representative must be a Past Grand and Past Chief Patriarch, who has received all the Degrees of the Order; he must be a member in good standing of a Subordinate Lodge, a Subordinate Encampment, a Canton, and a Rebekah Lodge, each of such bodies being in good standing; he must reside in the State, District, Territory or Province in which the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment is located; and he shall not represent more than one Grand Body at the same time.

Section 3. A Grand Representative must be a Past Grand in good standing and a member of a Lodge in good standing. He must have received the Royal Purple Degree, be a member in good standing of an Encampment in good standing, be a member in good standing of a Canton in good standing, and he must have received the Rebekah Degree and be a member in good standing; and he must reside in the State, District or Territory in which the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment which he represents is located; No Representative shall represent more than one Grand Body at the same time.

Resolved, That Section 1, Article VII., of the Constitution of the Sovergign Grand Lodge be amended by striking out the sixth line of the section, the word "annually" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "bighuially," so as to read as follows:

Section I. The Grand Treasurer shall keep the moneys, and all evidences of debts, choses in action, deeds, etc., of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and pay all orders drawn on him by the Grand Secretary. He shall lay before the Sovereign Grand Lodge, at its stated communication in September, biennially, a full and correct statement of his accounts. Before his installation he shall give bond, with at least two sureties, to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, in such sum as may from time to time be fixed; and shall receive such compensation as the Sovereign Grand Lodge shall determine.

"Resolved, That Article XII., of the Constitution of the Sovereign Graud Lodge, be amended by striking out, in the first line of the section, the word "annually" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "biennially." Also strike out, in the thirteenth line of the section, the word "annual," and insert in lieu thereof the word "biennial," so as to read as follows:

This Grand Lodge shall meet biennially, on the third Monday of September, at 9 o'clock a.m., at such place as the Sovereign Grand Lodge shall from time to time determine. It may also meet on its own adjournments. It may also meet specially on the call of the Grand Sire, of which the Grand Sire shall cause three months' notice to be given to the representatives of the several State, District, or Territorial Grand Lolges and Grand Encampments, communicating to them the purpose for which the special meeting is called; and in no case shall any business be transacted at a special meeting unless notice thereof its been given, as above stated; provided, that if it should be impracticable, from the prevalence of contagious disease, or any other cause, for the biennial session to be held at the place designated therefor, the Sovereign Grand Lodge shall have the power to determine at what date or place such session shall be

Resolved, That Arcticle XVII., of the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows, be amended by adding thereto the following: "And provided further that no officer or Representative shall receive as compensation or reimbursement for expenses a sum exceeding the amount necessarily expended by him, in railroad, stage, boat and sleeping car fare, estimated by the shortest practicable route of travel from such officer's or Representative's home to the place of meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and the sum of five dollars per day for each day necessarily spent in going to, attending, and returning from the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, attended by such officer or Representative, so that the said article when amended shall read as follows:

ARTICLE XVII.

"Compensation of Officers and Members .- The officers and Grand Representatives (except such officers as receive stated salaries) shall receive a compensation for their services, to be fixed by law, and paid out of the treasury of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, provided that this Grand Lodge shall not allow a compensation (except such per diem as it may think proper) to any Grand Representative coming from a jurisdiction beyond the limits of the North American Continent; and provided, further, that no officer or Representative shall receive, as compensation or reimbursement for expenses, a sum exceeding the amount necessarily expended by him in railroad, stage, boat and sleeping car fare, estimated by the shortest practicable route of travel from such officer's or Representative's home to the place of meeting of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and the sum of five dollars per day for each day necessarily spent in going to, attending, and returning from the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, attended by such officer or Representative." W. E. BENEDICT, of South Dakota, J. S. BELLAMY, of Iowa, R. W. RICH, of Wyoming,

Resolved, That paragraph 2, of Article XIV., of the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out, in the third line of the paragraph, the words "per annum," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "biennially," so as to read as follows:

GEO. G. HOOPER, of Maryland.

NEWMAN C. NASH, of South Dakota, W. W. BOOHER, of Nevada,

2. Dues from State, District, or Territorial Grand Lodges Encampments, seventy-five dollars biennially for each vote they shall be entitled to in this Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Resolved, That Article XIX., of the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out, in the fourth line of Article XIX., the word "annual," so as to read as follows:

By-laws in conformity with this Constitution may be made, which shall not be altered or amended, unless such amendment be proposed at a stated Communication and acted upon at the same session, but not on the day on which it is offered, and adopted by two-thirds of the votes given.

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ed iot tes Resolved, That Article XXI., of the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, be amended by striking out, in the third line of Article XXI., the word "annual" and inserting in lieu thereof the word "biennial"; also, by striking out, in the sixth line, the word "annual" where it occurs and inserting in lieu thereof the word "biennial," so as to read as follows:

This Constitution shall not be altered or amended except by a proposition therefor made in writing, at a regular biennial Communication, by one or more Representatives from three different States, which shall be entered on the Journal and lie over until the next regular biennial Communication. At the next regular biennial Communication, after being offered, such proposed alteration or amendment may be considered, and if agreed to by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, on a call of the yeas and nays, such proposed alteration or amendment shall become a part of this Constitution.

SOME LEGISLATION PROPOSED, BUT NOT ADOPTED

As to Biennial Sessions.

For a Commission to revise, codify and annotate the laws enacted by the Grand Body.

To allow State Grand Lodges to elect Grand Marshals.

To permit members to wear Veteran, Rebekah Veteran or Honorable Veteran Jewels, in lieu of prescribed regalia.

To grant vacations to Subordinate Lodges during the months of July and August.

To allow Grand Officers and Representatives to introduce visiting members of other jurisdictions into Subordinate and Rebekah Lodges and Encampments.

To unite the Patriarchal and Patriarchal Militant Branches of the Order.

A new funeral ceremony.

That no allowance of mileage or per diem be granted to Past Grand Sires.

For a Special Committee to consider the question of loss in membership through suspension for non-payment of dues.

To allow Rebekah Lodges to pay sick and funeral benefits.

To allow the Rebekah Assemblies to have representation in the Sovereign Grand Lodge, so that they may be thus permitted to be present and take part upon the floor in the consideration of all Rebekah legislation.

"That the Minimum Benefit Law of the Sovereign Grand Lodge (Journal, 1891, page 12:670) which requires Subordinate Lodges to pay continuous benefits during disability, be repealed."

A resolution authorizing the organization of Odd Fellow Lodges in Manila, Philippine Islands.

That Indians, members of the five civilized tribes, residents of the Indian Territory, may be admitted to membership; and that no person tainted with African blood can ever become eligible to membership in the Order.

THE SOCIAL FEATURES OF THE WEEK

Deserve mention, and we clip the following from *The Popular Odd fellow*. Published by John W. Bourlet, P.G.R., Concord, N.H.

The first event in the list of social festivities of the S.G.L. week, and the one most thoroughly enjoyed, especially by the Western Representatives and their ladies, to many of whom the ride was a decided novelty, was the excursion to Salem on Saturday the 17th. The trip was taken on the steamer Governor Andrew, kindly placed at the disposal of the local committee by the city, and the ride was a most delightful one. Here many of the Representatives met for the first time, and acquaintances old and new were renewed and made. The Salem Cadet band furnished

Upon arrival at the Willows, the party was met at the wharf by Major Waters and the local committee and escorted to the pavilion near at hand, where a shore dinner was partaken of. After dinner, electric cars were taken to the city proper, where the many points of historic interest were pointed out and visited, and where the day was spent most delightfully in sight-seeing and in being entertained by the local Odd Fellows and Rebekals.

A reception was tendered Grand Sire Carleton and visitors in Essex Lodge Hall from four to five o'clock, and in Fraternity Lodge Hall a light lunch was served from tables handsomely decorated, and presided over by the Rebekalis. The return trip was a repetition of the enjoyment of the magning ride out, and the day will be long remembered by the visitors.

An event of exquisite pleasure was the complimentary banquet tendered the S.G.L. and their ladies in Music Hall, September 19th. The hall was beautifully decorated with blue and white around the galleries, festoons of evergeness hung upon the walls, and.over the speaker's desk three evergreen links, with letters F. L. T., were suspended. At the opposite end of the hall a cheery "Greeting to All" looked out upon the guests, and midway on each side of the hall were other emblems. Hundreds of members of the Order occupied the galleries to witness the ceremonies.

Nearly six hundred guests sat down to the handsomely decorated tables. The speakers, Grand officers, and Banquet Committee, occupied four tables on the platform, and as soon as the guests were all seated the Part I.W. Varable involved the divine blessing, and the feest beautiful to the control of the control of the platform of the control of the con

Rev. J. W. Venable invoked the divine blessing, and the feast began.

Cut flowers and a handsome souvenir of the exercises of the evening
were beside each plate, the latter being a handsome specimen of typography, the cover being in colors and representing a volume in appearance, with the bundle of sticks, the clasped hands, the three links, the
bow, arrows and quiver, and other emblems of the Order in colors.

At the close of the banquet, pronounced by all who attended to be

At the close of the banquet, pronounced by all who attended to be absolutely unequalled in the history of the gatherings of Odd Fellows in various other cities of the country, E. Bentley Young, chairman of the Banquet Committee, called the assemblage to order, and in a brief speech

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presented the toastmaster of the evening, Hon. A. S. Pinkerton, who introduced in turn the several speakers, the first of whom was Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, who was received with applause and cheers. As Mr. Lodge arose to respond to the toast, "The President of the United States," the band struck up "The Star Spangled Banner," and the audience again renewed its enthusiasm.

After the senator came the Hon. H. M. Knowlton, who spoke for "The Commonwealth of Massachusetts," in the absence of Governor Wolcott. To the sentiment, "The City of Boston," Mayor Quincy responded, and received a warm greeting.

The other speakers and sentiments were Grand Sire Carleton, for "The Sovereign Grand Lodge"; Past Grand Sire Busbee, of North Carolina, for "Fraternity and Loyalty," who was greeted by the band with "Dixie" and "Yankee Doodle"; Grand Master Tirrell, for "The Grand Lodge of Massachusetts"; Past Grand Sire Sanders, of New York, for "The Veterans"; John F. Bruton, of North Carolina, for "The Genius of Odd Fellowship"; Wallace G. Nye, of Minnesota, for "A Health to Our Sweethearts, Our Wives, and Our Friends"; Grand Patriarch Fuller, of Worcester, for "The Grand Encampment of Massachusetts"; the Rev. E. E. Hale, for "Those Who Lend a Hand"; Milo S. Clapp, of Ohio, for "The Patriarchs Militant"; and Thomas Woodyatt, of Ontario, for "Our Brothers of Other Lands,"

Wednesday was a day long to be remembered by the Order. Canton, Encampment and Lodge members began to arrive in the city the day previous, and, on the morning of the parade day, they came into the city from all directions by the thousands. At an early hour the sound of martial music was in the air. From every section of the city came Cantons, Encampments and Lodges, and the incoming trains brought many others. The objective point of these invaders was Commonwealth avenue and its intersecting and parallel streets.

Here the procession formed, and about 12,30 o'clock the command to march was given by Chief Marshal Francis E. Merriman, and the great parade started. Down wide avenues and narrow streets, through serried flags, mottoes and banners, beneath the Stars and Stripes, which waved blessings of peace, marched 20,000 men. In every window, door or stairway was a sea of faces. On grand stands and in carriages were delighted spectators. Points of view were pre-empted on roofs, balconies and walls, while the ubiquitous small boy—and he was many—viewed the parade from the yard arms of telephone poles and trees.

Gaudy uniforms, glittering in gold lace, flashing swords, dancing plumes, gayly caparisoned, prancing horses, the blare of brass and the clash of cymbal made the pageant complete. The Patriarchs Militant, the military body, were arrayed in all that gives a military fornation its dazzling splendor, while their motto, "Pax aut Bellum," gave evidence that in peace or war they were ready for whatever might befall. The Encampment members in their old but beautiful uniform revived pleasant memories of former days, and the Subordinate Lodges, as well, added glory to the integrity and strength of the Order, as they kept pace to the music of eighty-one brass bands and fifteen drum corps engaged for the occasion.

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The formation of the line was so arranged that the fourth and fifth divisions, consisting of members of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Past Grand Sires, officers of the New England Grand Lodges, and aged and infirm members of the Order saw the parade as it passed up Commonwealth avenue before their divisions swung into line. The rank and file were not so fortunate, as no opportunity was given to countermarch, but all were happy, and gray-haired veterans and sturdy youth marched side by side with enthusiastic tread.

Down into the retail business section the paraders went. Crossing Washington street they invaded the wholesale district, then across to the banking section, up Newspaper row, past City Hall, where the procession was reviewed by Mayor Quincy, and up Beacon street to the State House, where Governor Wolcott and several members of his staff viewed the mighty parade. In every respect the parade was a grand success, and a continued ovation from start to finish.

The principal social event of Tuesday was the reception tendered to Grand Sire Carleton, in Pierce Hall, Copley square, the Rebekah head-quarters. This was attended by nearly a thousand members of the Order, including Representatives from nearly every State and from the Canadian Provinces, and was exceedingly enjoyable.

Music Hall was crowded Wednesday evening to enjoy a musical and literary entertainment which was intended to give enjoyment and rest after the great parade of the day.

The Salem Cadet band played a number of selections, which were heartily applauded, and when it played anything of a patriotic nature the house rang with the plaudits of the auditors, The Apollo Quartette presented a vocal repertoire which delighted all present, and other artists added to the enjoyment of the evening. The entertainment was given as a sort of tonic, and it had a magical effect on all present, judging from the appreciation shown the artists in their endeavor to please.

The following are the officers of the Sovereign Grand Lodge for the coming two years:

Alfred S. Pinkerton, of Massachusetts, Grand Sire.

A. C. Cable, of Ohio, Deputy Grand Sire.

J. Frank Grant, of Kentucky, Grand Secretary.

M. Richard Muckle, of Pennsylvania, Grand Treasurer.

John B. Cockrum, of Indiana, Grand Marshal.

John W. Bourlet, of New Hampshire, Grand Guardian.

Charles F. Lumsden, of North Carolina, Grand Messenger.

Rev. John W. Venable, of Kentucky, Grand Chaplain.

Detroit, Mich, was selected as the place of meeting for 1899.

The Grand Representatives from this jurisdiction were honored by appointment as follows:

Thomas Woodyatt, on the Committee of Appeals, which met on the 15th of September and had fifteen appeals before them.

Henry White, on the Committee on Foreign Relations.

And Past Grand Representative John Welsh was appointed an Assistant Grand Guardian.

We beg to return our thanks to this Grand Body for the honor conferred on us as your Representatives.

THOS. WOODYATT, HENRY WHITE.

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Odd Fellows' Relief Association.

ANNUAL MEETING IN KINGSTON.

Progress of the year—Growth in Membership and Finances—
Summary of the Business.

The annual meeting of the Odd Fellows' Relief Association took place on July 20, 1898, in the Oddfellows' Hall, Kingston. Dr. Fowler, President, occupied the chair. This meeting was largely attended by representative, men, including the grand officers of Ontario.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS.

At the afternoon session the reports were presented, and referred to the various committees.

The Directors' report indicated that the record of the year, in every respect, was among the best in the history of the Association. The net gain in membership was better than in 1896-97. The gain in funds has been considerable, \$35,000 having been carried to the reserve, which now amounts to \$140,000. The surplus of assets over liabilities was \$151,226,43.

REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS.

The Secretary, R. Meek, reported that a much larger volume of business was done at a very slightly increased cost, and that such was the service of the agents, four hundred of them, that not a cent was lost during the year. The membership on June 30th was 10,044, the deaths during the year 58, and the amount represented in mortuary claims, in consequence, \$80,000. The death rate per thousand was 5.74. The average age of new members was 31.16; the average age of the entire membership 37.20; the average age of deceased members 42.31. The cost of management, apart from the cost of collecting the assessments, was less than \$t\$ per member.

less than \$1 per member.

The Treasurer, D. Callaghan, in his report, showed the revenue for the year to be \$128,396.57, and the expenditure \$98,175.90, the surplus of

the year being \$30,220.67.

The Auditors, J. Nicolle and T. D. Minnes, reported that they had examined the books of the Secretary and Treasurer every quarter and found them correct.

The Superintendent of Agencies, A. H. Blackeby, visited three provinces and a great many places in each, covering in all 17,160 miles.

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LOCAL BOARD IN WINNIPEG.

The Local Board in Winnipeg referred to the popularity of granting a certain amount of home rule to Manitoba, and to the good work which has been accomplished during the year. Some \$10,000 of the surplus, funds of the Association had been placed on deposit in the monied institutions of Winnipeg.

EXTENSION OF THE WORK.

J. A. Robb, P. G. M., Valleyfield, reported from the Committee on the Extension of the Work, approving of the action of the Directors in restricting residence in unitealthy localities, and of the deposit in Quebec in compliance with the laws of Quebec, -Adopted.

POINTS ON MEMBERSHIP.

Rev. Mr. Jolliffe, P. G. M., Colborne, from the Committee on Membership, considered the remarkably low death rate an evidence of great care in medical selection, and congratulated the Association upon the marked and steady progress it had made. One point was specially observed, that many of the members had sought increased insurance, and this was accepted as an assurance of their faith in its continued success. The Quebec and Manitoba brethren were complimented upon their marked contribution to the business of the year. "In looking over the report as a whole," the Committee remarked, "we are strongly of the opinion that this Association never had a better outlook. All its interests appear to be safe-guarded by capable and efficient management."-Adopted.

GENERAL BUSINESS.

W. H. Hoyle, P. G. M., Cannington, from the Committee on General Business, recommended the use of two new receipt books as soon as it could be satisfactorily arranged between the Secretary and the agencies. The committee was pleased to note that the Advisory Committees, appointed by the various grand masters, had been valuable adjuncts to the Order in discussing, during the recess, subjects of interest to the Order and the Association

W. H. Cole, P. G. M., Brockville, from the same committee, recorded with satisfaction that all the grand bodies whose jurisdiction extended over the ground covered by the Association, were so well satisfied with the manner in which its business was conducted as only to extend words of approval. It was hoped this approval would be earned and extended

that it did not see its way clear to recommend that the limit of benefits, now carried by the individual, be extended, or any change in the agents commission. - Adopted.

THE FINANCES REVIEWED.

John Donogh, P.G.M., Toronto, presented the report of the Committee on Finance. It congratulated the Association and its Directors upon the more than ordinarily successful year which had just been closed. The membership was being recruited from the ranks of the younger men, and this showed that the agents were properly directing their efforts to getting hold of these as soon as they entered the Order. The addition to the reserve fund was applauded, and the advice given that "the policy of building up this fund should be continued until the Association rested

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upon a foundation as solid and secure as the rocky ridge which carries on its shoulders the city of Kingston." The low ratio of expenses to membership was noted, and the Directors commended for their economical and efficient management, "which had been the characteristic feature of the Association." The zeal and efficiency of the office and executive staff were recognized, also the care which had been exercised in the selection of investments for the surplus funds.—Adopted.

ADMITTING THE REBEKAHS.

Joseph Oliver, P.G.M., Toronto, reported on behalf of the Committee the admission of Rebekahs. This report favored the opening of the Association to the women, on condition that the benefit be limited to \$1,000, that the children of the assured become the beneficiaries, and that the medical examination be made as exacting as in the case of the men.—Adopted.

LAWS AND AMENDMENTS.

Henry White, P.G.M., Port Hope, from the Committee on Laws and Amendments, reported at length. The chief recommendations were:

1. That Article VIII. be amended so as to admit the Rebekahs and

1. That Article VIII. be amended so as to admit the Rebekahs and Odd Fellows in any state or province in which the Association was authorized to do business. (It is proposed to extend the work to the border States, and the committee on the extension of the Association's operations approved of the proposal.)

2. Those who enlist in active naval or military service shall forfeit their membership, but they will not be affected when, as members of the militia or volunteer corps, they are called into active service by competent

authority.

3. Members of the Association, without consent, shall not reside in the Klondike or its vicinity, nor in Europe south of the forty-second parallel, nor in North America south of the thirty-eighth parallel (in other words, in tropical regions), beyond thirty days; and in all cases a special rating shall be effected in accordance with the rules of the Association. The regulations respecting the Klondike and its vicinity were approved.

4. In future the new members will be classified as the ordinary, the hazardous and the extra-hazardous, and pay a rating for each which was submitted and endorsed.

5. Provision was made whereby an unmarried man may designate

his legal representatives as his beneficiaries.

6. Members of the hazardous class at present shall pay the rates that formerly applied, but in six bi-monthly parts, along with their

ordinary assessments.

The recommendations suggested a spirited discussion, but they were adopted as they have been summarized.

ELECTING THE DIRECTORS.

The three retiring Directors, Messrs, W. J. Livingston, W. H. Godwin and W. Mundell were re-elected.

THANKS TO THE STAFF.

A vote of thanks was passed to the Directors, Officers and Agents for the spirit they had infused into the business during the past year. Several members spoke upon this point, and lauded those to whose energy and devotion the success of the Association was due.

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CONSTITUTION OF THE SUBORDINATE LODGES

Under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Adopted at Toronto, August 14th, 1890, as Amended since and in force 1898.

PREAMBLE.

By the authority vested in it by its Charter, and by the laws and usages of the Order, the Grand Lodge of Ontario, of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, hereby ordains the following as the CONSTITUTION of all Subordinate Lodges working under its immediate jurisdiction.

TITLES AND POWERS.

Clause I.—This Lodge shall be constituted of at least five members of the Third Degree, or Degree of Truth, and shall be hailed and entitled Lodge No.

, I.O.O.F., of Ontario, and ing a legal, unreclaimed and valid Charter, duly granted and formally presented by the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

MEMBERSHIP.

Clause 2.—Candidates for membership, by initiation, in this Lodge, must be free, white males, of not less than twenty-one years of age, of good moral character and in sound health, and resident within the jurisdiction of this Lodge.

Clause 3.—Every application for membership must be submitted in writing in the form provided by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and must be accompanied by a reference to at least two other members of the Lodge, and a certificate of good health from a physician selected by the Lodge, on the form provided by the Grand Lodge.

Clause 4.—The application so made shall be referred to a committee of three members, two of whom shall be appointed by the N.G. and one by the V.G., who shall report thereon at the next regular meeting, unless excused by a two-thirds vote of the members present, or unless the application be withdrawn by the proposer.

Clause 5.—A ballot shall be taken on the application immediately upon the presentation of the report of the Committee on Character, and if less than three black balls be found the candidate shall be accepted; three or more appear, and upon the intimation of the Vice-Grand that ballot is against the candidate, the Lodge shall, upon the request of any

member, forthwith proceed to retake the ballot, in order to verify the fact that black balls may not have been cast in error, and, if upon such second ballot three or more black balls appear, the candidate shall be re-declared rejected, and any proposition fee received by the Lodge shall be returned to the candidate unless action for reconsideration be taken.

Clause 6.—Any brother or Ancient Odd Fellow desirous of joining this Lodge must present a Withdrawal Card or Dismissal Certificate from the Lodge of which he was previously a member, and his application shall then be disposed of according to the above regulations; provided that, in the case of the application of a brother who, within six months previous to such application, has been a member of a Lodge which has merged into or united with this Lodge, the vote necessary to receive shall be a majority vote by ballot.

Clause 7.—Any candidate requiring admission more than thirteen weeks after his election must be again proposed and ballotted for, as in the case of a new candidate.

Clause 8.—The rejection of any candidate for membership shall be immediately intimated to every Subordinate Lodge in the city, town or village in which such rejection takes place.

Clause 9.—No candidate for membership by initiation, who has been rejected, can again be proposed in any Lodge until at least six months after his rejection.

Clause 10.—No person shall be admitted to honorary membership in this Lodge, nor hold membership in this and any other Subordinate Lodge in this Order at the same time.

Clause II.—No proposition for membership either by initiation or by card, shall be received or acted upon if the applicant's residence be out of the jurisdiction (without the consent of the Grand Master of the jurisdiction in which he resides), nor if his residence be within the lines of an adjoining town or village municipality, whose boundary line, where the Lodges are contiguous, shall be the boundary between the said Lodges, unless consent of the Lodges affected be obtained; and in the event of the violation of this clause the Lodge shall pay over all fees received from such applicant to the Lodge within whose jurisdiction he resided, and shall also be liable to suspension by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master. Jurisdiction shall mean, in cities or towns, the corporate limits. In all cases the applicants may be permitted to join the Lodge nearest to the place of residence. In any city or town, where there are two or more Lodges, the said Lodge shall have concurrent jurisdiction.

NON-BENEFICIAL MEMBERSHIP.

Clause 12. This Lodge may receive, as non-beneficial members, members of defunct Lodges who were in good standing in their respective Lodges at the time of surrender of their respective Charters, and who, by reason of advanced 'age, are ineligible for beneficial membership at such fee as shall be fixed upon by the By-laws of this Lodge.

Clause 13:—Non-affiliated Odd Fellows, who have been regularly admitted to and retained membership in the Order for at least five years, and who at the time of making application for re-instatement or membership shall be over fifty years of age, and who are not under expulsion

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for cause, may be admitted as non-beneficial members of this Lodge upon such terms as the By-laws may prescribe.

Clause 14.—The dues of non-beneficial members shall be fixed by the By-laws of the Lodge, but shall not be less than one dollar per

Clause 15.—Such non-beneficial members, when so admitted, shall have no claim upon this Lodge for pecuniary or financial benefits of any kind, but in all other respects they may enjoy the same privileges as the

Clause 16.-Widows, orphans, or personal representatives of such non-beneficial members shall have no claim upon the Lodge for pecuniary or financial benefits of any kind.

Clause 17.—This Constitution for the government of Subordinate Lodges, and the By-laws and Rules of Order made thereunder, and the Constitution and By-laws and Rules of Order of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, and the Constitution, general laws, resolutions and decisions of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, shall constitute the contract between the Order and each member thereof; and every member from the time of his initiation or admission by card, and so long as he continues in membership in the Order, shall be bound by every clause and article therein contained, and shall be subject thereto in every particular.

Clause 18.—Every member shall sign the Constitution and By-laws of this Lodge on his admission thereto, but such signature shall not be necessary for the authentication of the aforesaid contract, which contract is complete by the member's initiation or admission by card, such admission by card dating always from the time that he has been accepted by vote of this Lodge; and every member shall be subject to the said laws as aforesaid, although he may not have signed his name thereto.

DEGREES.

Clause 10.—Every member previous to his receiving any of the Degrees shall present a certificate from the F.S. that he is not in arrears to the Lodge, and that he has paid all charges for the said Degree; after which he shall be balloted for. Balloting shall be had when the Lodge is open in the Third Degree, and one ballot shall be taken for all the

Clause 20.—If, on such ballot, three or more black balls appear, the applicant shall be rejected, otherwise he shall be considered eligible, and shall be admitted to the Degree or Degrees applied for. In case of rejection he shall not be again balloted for to receive the Degrees unless. two weeks' notice is given immediately preceding the meeting at which

CARDS

Clause 21.—Any member in good standing, desiring to withdraw from this Lodge, may signify such desire either personally in open Lodge or this Lodge, may signify such desire either personally in open 4 odge or by a letter addressed to the Secretary, whereupon the Lodge shall proceed to a ballot, with ball ballots, and a majority vote of the members present shall be necessary to the granting of such withdrawal card. If a majority of the members present refuse to grant such card, the applicant therefor may tender a written resignation of his membership, and shall

be entitled to receive from the Secretary, under the seal of the Lodge, a certificate that he has resigned membership, and such certificate shall be sufficient evidence that the member was in good standing at the time of his resignation; provided that, upon the refusal of the card, the member applying for the same shall have the right of appeal to the Grand Lodge.

Clause 22-Any member of this Lodge in good standins and free from all charges shall be entitled to a Visiting Card on payment of all dues for the period for which said Card is required and of a fee not exreeding fifty cents. During recess of the Lodge such Card may be issued

y the Noble Grand and Secretary.

RE-ADMISSION.

Clause 23. —Should any member receiving a withdrawal Card from this Lodge apply within twelve months thereafter to be re-admitted to membership and be accepted, the Lodge may remit in his favor the entrance fee, or any portion thereof.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

Clause 24.—The Elective Officers of this Lodge shall be Noble Grand.

Vice-Grand, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and Treasurer.

Clause 25.—No brother shall be eligible for the office of N.G. until he has served a term as V.G., nor of V.G. until he has served a term in some inferior office, except that of Chaplain, has attained the Third Degree and is in good standing. All officers shall be eligible for re-election.

Clause 26.—Nominations for the Elective Offices shall be made only at the two meetings next preceding that fixed for the elections thereto, and no nominee shall be balloted for who has not signified his willingness

to accept the office for which he may be named.

Clause 27.—The Election of officers shall take place at the last regu-If for any elective office, or for the office of lar meeting in each term. Representative to the Grand Lodge, only one member shall be in nomintion, such member shall be declared elected by acclamation; should there be two or more candidates duly nominated, the members present shall proceed to elect one of such candidates by ballot; and only members in good standing shall be entitled to vote.

Clause 28.—A majority of all the legal votes cast shall be necessary Should there be no choice of an officer on any ballot, a new ballot shall forthwith take place, and after each ballot the name of each candidate who may have received the smallest number of votes, as well

as those who shall receive no votes, shall be withdrawn.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

Clause 29.—The appointed Officers of this Lodge shall be W., C., O.G., I.G., R.S.N.G., L.S.N.G., R.S.V.G., L.S.V.G., R.S.S. and L.S.S., and the Lodge may at its option add a Chaplain.

Clause 30.—These Officers shall be appointed by the N.G., immediately after his installation, except the R.S.V.G. and L.S.V.G., who shall be appointed at the same time by the V.G.

Clause 31.—All members appointed as Officers must be in good standing, and must have attained the Third Degree.

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Clause 32.—The N.G. with the consent of the Lodge, may appoint as O.G. a brother of the third Degree belonging to any other Lodge in this jurisdiction.

Clause 33.—This Lodge may at any time elect a physician, solicitor, or other officer required for the operation of the legitimate work of the lodge, and may pay for the services rendered out of the general fund of the lodge, but the person so elected shall not, as such officer, be subject to any laws of the Order relating to membership, qualification, or honors, and may be elected under a by-law, resolution, or in any manner and at any time that the Lodge may decide.

INSTALLATION.

Clause 34.—The officers of this Lodge shall be installed at the first regular meeting in the term for which they have been elected or appointed, except that the installation of an officer chosen to fill a vacancy may take place on the night of his election or appointment. An officer re-elected or re-appointed must be again installed

VACANCIES IN OFFICE

Clause 35.—Any office, the occupant of which may have been absent without satisfactory excuse from three successive regular meetings, may be declared vacant by vote of the Lodge, on a motion to that effect, provided notice of such motion has been given at the regular meeting previous to that at which the vote is to be taken.

Clause 36.—Any vacancy in office by resignation, death, or otherwise, shall be filled by election or appointment, as the case may be. In the case of elective officers, the election may take place on the second night of nomination; and the members so elected or appointed shall be causited to the privilege and know of the effect provided they complete entitled to the privileges and honors of the office, provided they complete

DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS.

Clause 37.—The Officers of this Lodge shall perform such duties and be invested with such powers as are prescribed by the Charge Books and Usages of the Order, the laws of the Grand Lodge of Ontario and of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and the By-Laws and Resolutions of this Lodge.

SESSIONS.

Clause 38.—This Lodge shall hold its meetings weekly or semimonthly, on such evening and at such time as may be provided by its By-laws; provided always, that if its terms are semi-annual, twenty-six nights' service shall constitute the term of office, and if yearly not less than twenty-four.

Clause 39.—Special sessions may be called by the N.G., or in the absence of that officer from the place by the V.G., such notice therefor being given as may be required by the By-laws of the Lodge. The notice shall contain the particular reason for calling the same, and no business but that expressed in such notice shall be entered upon at such special It shall be the duty of the N.G. to call a special meeting when requested in writing so to do by not less than five members

Clause 40.—Should any regular meeting fall upon any legally established or recognized holiday, the Lodge may, by resolution passed at the preceding regular meeting, omit such meeting, and any business that

should by law or resolution be transacted at that time shall be taken up at the regular meeting following.

Clause 41.—No business shall be transacted at any regular or special meeting unless at least five members of this Lodge be then present, nor otherwise than according to Rules of Order annexed to this Constitution.

Clause 42.—Members of other Lodges may be admitted as Visitors, provided they give the password for the term, present a proper card, or are introduced by an elective Grand Officer, or by any Representative to the Sovereign Grand Lodge from the Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment of Ontario.

TERMS

Clause 43.—The terms of this Lodge shall be semi-annual or annual, as provided by its By-laws, and shall commence on the first regular meetings in July and January respectively, if semi-annual, and on the first regular meeting in January if annual.

Clause 44.—Every term shall be held to close on the day on which the succeeding one may commence, and at the moment the Lodge opens.

RETURNS.

Clause 45.—It shall be the duty of the N.G. and Financial Sec. to prepare and forward to the Grand Secretary of Ontario, immediately on the expiry of their term of office, a regular return of the work of such term, with the result of election of officers, etc., in accordance with such blank form of semi-annual or annual return as the Grand Lodge may from time to time direct to be used.

Clause 46.—Such semi-annual return shall be accompanied by the amount due the Grand Lodge, the same being twenty-five cents for each unsuspended member on said return.

Clause 47.—A fine of two dollars per month shall be payable by this Lodge for every month that may elapse after the close of the term ending Dec. 31st of each year, until the returns and capita tax required by Clauses 45 and 46 of this Constitution are placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary; and further, should this Lodge or its officers fail to forward the return and capita tax for the term ending with June 30th of any fear to the Grand Secretary by the 20th day of July following, it shall be debarred from representation at the next ensuing session of the Grand Lodge, and the Grand Secretary shall record a fine of 50c. per day for every day that shall elapse after the 20th day of July, until the returns for the preceding term are in the hands of the Grand Secretary.

Clause 48.—Should this Lodge, or the officers thereof, fail to make the returns required by the preceding clauses for twelve months, it shall thereby become liable to the forfeiture of its Charter, and it shall be the duty of the last installed officers to transmit or surrender to the Grand Master, on requisition from him to that effect (or to such other brother asmy be appointed by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master to receive the same), the Charter, books, papers, furniture and funds of the Lodge.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

Clause 49.—There shall be one general fund for the payment of all benefits, charity and expenses of maintenance; but the Lodge may pro-

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vide, by its By-laws, for the institution of a special fund or funds, for any of the benevolent purposes contemplated by the Order.

Clause 50.—The receipts and disbursements on account of any special * fund shall be kept separate and distinct from the General Fund, and any money appropriated to a Widows and Orphans' Fund shall be used only for the payment of benefits and relief to the widows and orphans of deceased members of this Lodge. Any Subordinate Lodge in this jurisdiction may by By-law provide for the setting aside of any sum, not to exceed (5°) , five per cent, of its receipts for dues, for the purpose of creating and maintaining a Contingent Fund.

Clause 51. The initiation fee of this Lodge must be paid, in every case, previous to the admission of the candidate, and shall not be less than five dollars; and the fees for Degrees shall not be at a less rate than two dollars for each of the three Degrees.

Clause 52.—The contribution of each member to the General Fund of this Lodge shall be determined by By-law, provided it be not less than ten cents per week; and the Lodge may require the same to be paid quarterly in advance.

Clause 53.—The fee for a Withdrawal or Visiting Card shall not exceed fifty cents, and may be applied to the General Fund or any special fund, as the Lodge may provide by its By-laws.

Clause 54.—Such money in the possession of the Lodge as may not be required for immediate use may be invested in stock debentures, or securities of the Government of Canada, or of the Province of Ontario, or in securities which are a first charge on lands held in fee simple; but in no case shall they be loaned to members of the Order, nor shall they be loaned to individuals on personal security, or invested in private enterprises of any kind.

DISBURSEMENTS.

Clause 55.—Every member qualified as required by the By-laws, if rendered incapable of following his usual or other attainable occupation by sickness or disability (not occasioned by drunkenness or other immoral by sixthess or disability (not occasioned by drunkenness or other immoral conduct on his part), or by reason of infirmity from old age, having no available means of support, shall be entitled to receive from the General Pund such weekly sick benefit as may be fixed by the By-laws, provided such weekly benefit shall not be less than two dollars per week for one year, and shall not exceed one-half the amount of the annual receipts per member, from dues and permanent investments. The Lodge shall not be held to pay such benefit for any term of sickness shorter than one week; but after one week's sickness the brother shall be entitled to benefits for each additional day or days that he may be ill.

Clause 56.—The Lodge may provide by its By-laws for the reduction of the weekly sick benefit payable to any member after such member has received benefits for twelve months of continuous sickness, and such Bylaw shall apply to any member who may be receiving benefits at the time of its adoption; provided, however, that the weekly sick benefits to be paid shall not be less than one dollar per week.

Clause 57.—In case of the death of a member, qualified as required by the By-laws, there shall be paid to his widow, children or other relatives who may, at the time of his death, have been depending on him for

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support, a Funeral Benefit, in such sum as may be fixed by the By-laws of this Lodge. In the event of the deceased member leaving no such dependent relative, the said Funeral Benefit, or as much thereof as may be necessary, shall be applied by the Lodge to defraying his funeral expenses—if any are incurred. And the Lodge may also provide by its By-laws for the payment of a Funeral Benefit to a duly qualified Brother on the demise of his wife, to assist in defraying the expenses of her funeral.

Clause 58.—The Lodge may, by its By-laws, make such provisions as shall seem meet for the relief of members in a state of pecuniary distress.

Clause 59.—The Lodge shall make such disposition of its Widows and Orphans' Fund, for the relief and benefit of the widows and orphans of deceased members of this Lodge, who were in good standing as required by the By-laws at the time of their decease, as it shall see fit, except by annuity.

Clause 60.—The Lodge may, by By-law, fix the time after admission at which a member shall become entitled to benefits, but a member admitted on an unexpired Withdrawal Card shall be entitled to benefits immediately upon his admission to membership.

PENALTIES.

Clause 61.—Any member who shall violate any of the laws, principles or practices of the Order, or any part of the Constitution or By-laws of this Lodge, shall be subject to be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as the By-laws may direct, ancient usage require, or the Lodge determine.

TRIALS.

Clause 62.—Every member charged with an offence involving reprimand, suspension or expulsion (unless for non-payment of dues) shall be entitled to a fair trial, in accordance with the provision of this Constitution and of the Rules of Procedure on Trials adopted by the Grand Lodge.

Clause 63.—No member of this Lodge shall be put on trial, unless charges duly specifying his alleged offence shall be first submitted to the Lodge in writing by one or more members of the Order in good standing.

Clause 64.—Any charge or charges so preferred shall be referred to a committee of five members, to be chosen by ballot, three of whom shall be a quorum; which committee shall, with as little delay as the case will admit, summon the parties, and examine and determine the matter in question, in accordance with the Constitution and Rules of Procedure on Trials. In selecting this committee, only one name shall be written upon any ballot.

Clause 65.—Should the report of the Trial Committee not recommend the suspension or expulsion of the member under trial, it shall be acted upon by the Lodge on the night it is presented, unless objection is taken by any member, in which case action shall be deferred until the next regular meeting. Should the Lodge adopt the report of the committee, such action shall be final, unless appeal is taken to the Grand Lodge.

Clause 66.—Should the Committee report in favor of suspending or expelling the member, a motion to that effect shall be submitted to the Lodge by two or more of their members, in their name.

Clause 67.—Any motion for the suspension or expulsion of a member shall be announced at the two regular meetings previous to that on which it is to be decided, which last meeting the member under charge shall be summoned to attend; and at the time so appointed, whether the implicated member be present or not, the Lodge may proceed to consider and determine the question, and may either alter, amend, adopt or reject the motion made on behalf of the Trial Committee.

Clause 68.—Any member interested shall have the right of appeal to the Grand Lodge of Ontario, provided such appeal be forwarded to the Grand Secretary within two months from the date of the action of the Lodge on the matter to be appealed against, said appeal to be prosecuted in the manner prescribed in the By-laws of the Grand Lodge; and no member shall carry the case to any of the Civil Courts until after the same has been adjudicated upon by the Grand Lodge of Ontario, and, on

further appeal, by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Clause 69.—When any member suspended for a definite period for any other cause than non-payment of dues, desires to be reinstated before the expiration of his suspension, or, having been expelled, desires reinstatement, his case shall be referred to a committee of five members, who, after due investigation, shall report at the next regular meeting, and if a majority of the members then present shall vote in his favor, he shall thereupon be declared eligible for reinstatement, and, with the consent of the Grand Lodge, may be reinstated.

Clause 70.-No member shall be reinstated until he shall have paid any arrearages against him at the time of his suspension and all dues and assessments that may have accrued since that date, except in case of

a member dropped for non-payment of dues.

Clause 71.—No member who has been dropped from membership for non-payment of dues, except members of defunct Lodges and those pos-sessing dismissal certificates, shall be again admitted to membership in any Lodge of this Order without the consent of the Lodge from which he was expelled or dropped; and in no case shall he be readmitted without compliance with all the forms for new applicants, excepting the ceremony of initiation, and excepting also that in the case of a non-resident, he shall not be required to re-sign the Constitution.

-Any member of this Lodge who is in arrears for dues for cause 72.—Any member of this Louge was is in arter of the long one year shall be reported to the Lodge by the Fin.S., and on such report shall be dropped from membership, unless the Lodge, by resolution, extend the time of payment, which extension shall in no case exceed six months; provided that a member under suspension for any cause for a definite residual that he described from membership until the expire. definite period shall not be dropped from membership until the expira-tion of his term of suspension.

BY-LAWS,

Clause 73.—This Lodge shall stand fully invested with the power to adopt, from time to time, such By-laws and resolutions as may be deemed expedient, and to repeal, alter or amend the same; provided they do not in anywise contravene any part of this Constitution, the Constitution and By-laws of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, or the laws, principles or customs of the Order

Clause 74.—All such By-laws shall be immediately forwarded in duplicate to the Grand Secretary, authenticated by the seal of the Lodge

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AMENDMENTS.

Clause 75.—This Constitution and the Rules of Procedure on Trials, and Rules of Order for Subordinate Lodges or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, unless by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, and then only by a two-thirds vote of the representatives present and voting.

[For the convenience of Lodges, the Rules of Procedure on Trials are placed here, though not part of the Constitution.]

RULES OF PROCEDURE ON TRIALS.

Ist.—All charges against members of this Order shall be drawn substantially in the manner prescribed in "Form A," and be submitted direct to the Lodge of which the accused is a member, in duplicate, signed by a member of the Order in good standing. The general charge shall be an averment of "Conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow," followed by specification or specifications stating the time, place and circumstances of the offence or offences.

and.—The Lodge shall, immediately after the reading of the charge, choose by ballot a Committee of five, as near as possible from the peers of the accused, three of whom shall be a quorum, to whom the charge shall be referred. In selecting this Committee only one name shall be written upon any ballot, and the first elected shall be the Convener thereof.

3rd.—The accused or accuser, or any member of the Lodge acting for either of them, may challenge for cause, any name appearing on the ballot. The grounds of challenge shall be stated and considered by the Lodge, and a majority vote shall be necessary to sustain the objection made.

4th.—The Secretary shall affix the seal of the Lodge to one copy of the charge and specifications, and certify it substantially according to 'Form B,' and serve or cause the same to be served upon the accused, either personally or by leaving it at his usual place of residence. The Secretary shall also certify under seal the duplicate charge and deliver it to the Convener of the Committee, with the notice, according to "Form C" of these rules.

5th.—The accused shall, within one week from the receipt by him of the charge and specifications, serve his plea or answer to the same upon the Convenor of of the Committee, by either or several of the answers shown in "Form E."

6th.—The Convener of the Committee shall, on receipt of the plea in defence, or at the expiration of the time limited therefor, with reasonable diligence, call a meeting of the Committee, to attend which the accuser or accused shall be served with personal notice, if they can be found, or by leaving the same at their usual place of residence, according to "Form D," at least one week prior to the time fixed for trial.

7th.—At the meeting, a Chairman and Secretary shall be appointed and the trial proceed by examination of the parties and witnesses on their behalf. Either party may amend their proceedings by leave of the Committee.

8th.—The report of the Committee shall state their finding on each specification of the charge, according to "Form F," and shall be accompanied by an accurate record of their proceedings, rulings and decisions, together with the original evidence taken during the trial, which shall be submitted to the Lodge within a reasonable time after the case has been submitted to them. Should there be a minority report, it may be presented in a similar manner at the same time. The minutes of the Committee should show:

I. The date and place of each meeting, and the parties present.

II. The exceptions taken by either party, and the decision thereon.

III. Parol evidence in full, subscribed by the witness.

IV. All documentary evidence, marked as exhibits.

9th.—The finding of the Committee shall be entered in the minutes by the Secretary, who shall forthwith notify both parties that the report has been submitted, and all parties shall be entitled to a copy thereof.

roth.—The Lodge shall take up the report for consideration at the regular meeting to be held two weeks after it has been submitted, and may amend, affirm or reverse the finding of the Committee upon any one or all of the allegations in the charge or their ruling thereon.

11th,—The final decision of the Lodge shall be notified to both parties by the Secretary, immediately.

12th.—Either party may appeal from the decision of the Lodge to the Grand Lodge within two months from the action of the Lodge thereon. The Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Secretary a copy of all the proceedings regularly certified, upon receiving the costs and charges of copying and mailing the same.

FORM A.—CHARGE AND SPECIFICATIONS.

To....., I.O.O.F.:

Contrary to the laws and usuges of the Order.

Date..... (Signed.)

FORM B.	-NOTICE OF CHARGE TO THE ACCUSED.
referred to a Comm required to file you form prescribed wi	(Date) 18. I hereby enclose a copy of charge and specificar gainst you by of The same was nittee, consisting of (give names) You are answer to the charge and specifications, according to the thin one week from the service of this notice, with the first the Committee, who will notify you of the time and place of
	Fraternally,
	Secretary.

FORM C.—NOTICE TO CONVE	ENER OF COMMITTEE.
To Bro	(Date) 18
I enclose you a charge preferred by which charge was referred to (g mittee you are convener. The accused was the day of with you within one week, when you will carced with the trial.	served with a copy of the charge or

..... Secretary.

..... Convener of Committee.

FORM D. - NOTICE TO ACCUSER OR ACCUSED. A.B. or C.D. (as the case may be, one to each party). The Committee on Trial of the charge and specifications made by required to attend with your witnesses, and (prosecute or defend the same as the I am, yours fraternally,

Fraternally,

FORM E.—PLEAS IN DEFENCE.

I, A.B., mentioned in the charge and specifications, preferred by B.B., onday of......say: ist. That the offence in the charge mentioned is not within the legal juris-

diction of the Lodge.

2nd. That I am not guilty.

3rd. Guilty.

4th. I admit the fact stated, but will justify the alleged offence.

5th. The complaint is frivolous.

To..... charge and report as fo committee, with.

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To..... You are fore appoint on the of that day,

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FORM F.-REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TRIAL. The undersigned (a majority of the) committee appointed to investigate the (Signed by the committee.) FORM G.-DECLARATION OF WITNESS. You sincerely declare, upon your honor as an Odd Fellow, that the evidence you shall give in the matter of. against ... now pending, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. Thus you declare. (The following additional forms are recommended by the Sovereign Grand Lodge as are here submitted, modified to suit the laws and usages of this jurisdiction. Notice to accused and to witnesses should, if possible, be delivered personally, and should be endorsed on the back as delivered, over the signature of personally, and should be endoused on the back as delivered, over the signature of the person so delivering; and the receipt thereof should be acknowledged over the signature of the person to whom it is delivered.—Jour. S.G.L., pp. 6542. FORM H .- SUBFŒNA. Lodge, No...., I.O.O.F. of that day, to testify as a witness therein on behalf of said Bro..... By order of committee, FORM I.-NOTICE OF FILING REPORT. Lodge, No...., I.O.O.F. SIR AND BRO., - Take notice that the committee heretofore appointed to try held on the evening of theday of18.... Yours in F. L. and T., FORM J.-NOTICE OF APPEAL. ToLodge, No..., I.O.O.F.: Take notice that the undersigned hereby appeals from the action and judgment of this Lodge in the matter of charges preferred against him by Bro...... on the following grounds: 1. The evidence was insufficient to sustain such charges, or the report of the committee thereon, in this (Here insert wherein the vidence was insufficient.) 2nd. Errors committed at the trial, and by the Trial Committee, as follows: (Here insert errors complained of.) Dated attheday of18....

1. The evidence competent to be admitted before the Committee on Trial shall be:

a Parol evidence (i.e. testimony of living witnesses before Committee).

b Depositions procured in the manner prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

Regularly certified Minutes of the Lodge.

d Regularly proved documentary evidence. Hearsay evidence cannot be received. The Committee will determine the admissibility of evidence offered, subject to exception by either party. The exceptions so taken shall be noted by the Committee upon its minutes.

2. Members of the Order shall testify under their obligation, as Odd Fellows, according to "Form G," to be administered by the Chairman of the Committee.

In case either the party making a charge or the party against whom a charge has been made, desires to have the evidence of any person not a member of the Order, the same shall be taken as follows:

The party giving the evidence shall make a statutory declaration of all the facts relating to the matter within his own knowledge, in the manner provided for the taking of statutory declarations by chapter 37 of the Statutes of Canada, 37 Victoria (1874), and to be taken before any of the persons therein authorized to take such declarations; and such declarations when so taken shall be received by the Committee appointed to try the case; provided always, that the party procuring such declaration to be taken shall give to the opposite party forty-eight hours' notice in writing of the time and place where and when such declaration will be taken, and the party receiving such notice shall have the right to attend at the time and place appointed, for the purpose of asking such questions as he may wish of the party making such declaration, and the replies to such notice as is herein required shall not be given, such declaration shall not be received by the Committee in evidence. Should the party so notified not attend at the time and place appointed, the declaration shall be taken in his absence, and shall be received by the Committee as if the said party hab been present.

 Depositions of absent witnesses shall be procured by interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, in the form prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, subject to objection by either party, to be determined by the Committee.

4. The attendance of witnesses must be procured by the party desiring to call them.

5. Any member of the Order refusing or neglecting to give evidence or produce documentary evidence in his possession, upon the application of the party requiring his testimony, shall then be required by the Committee to give such evidence, and if he shall refuse, after being so required by the Committee to give or produce such evidence, he shall be reported to his Lodge, which Lodge shall take such action as they may deem necessary to compel the production of such evidence.

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RULES OF ORDER FOR LODGES SUBORDINATE TO THE GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

- I. As soon as the Presiding Officer shall have taken the chair the officers and brothers present shall take their respective stations, and the Lodge shall then be opened in ancient form.
 - II. The order of procedure after opening shall be as follows:

1. The calling of the roll of officers.

2. The reading by the secretary of the minutes of the last Lodge night; the consideration of any objections which may be made to any part thereof, and their approval, with or without amendment, as the case may require.

3. The consideration of any excuses which may be offered by absentees from previous meetings.

4. The receiving and consideration of any reports from the Visiting Committee, or from other brothers who may have to report the fact of any brother being sick or in distress.

5. The nomination or election of officers, on the evening designated for such nomination or election.

The receiving and consideration of reports of Committee on Character, and balloting thereon.

7. The initiation of candidates for membership.

8. The receiving of propositions for membership, and their reference to Committees on Character.

9. The receiving and consideration of any reports of officers of Standing Committees, which may require to be made in pursuance of the

10. The receiving and consideration of any reports of Special Committees, in the order of their seniority.

11. The reading and consideration of accounts and other communications in the hands of the Secretary.

12. Good and welfare: being first, unfinished business, in order of priority at former meetings; and, secondly, new business.

13. The closing of the lodge.

III. Any member offering a motion must do so in writing, if a request to that effect be made by the Secretary, the Presiding Officer, or the

IV. No question shall be put by the Presiding Officer, unless regularly moved and seconded; nor be open for consideration until so put; and, when put, no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion—

1. To adjourn;
2. To lay on the table;
3. To put the previous question;
4. To postpone;
5. To refer; or
6. To amend.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order above stated, and the first, second and third thereof shall be decided without debate.

V. The Previous Question shall be put from the Chair, only after it shall have been ascertained that the call therefor is sustained by a majority of the members of the lodge present, and shall then always be put in the words following: "Shall the question be now put?" Which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending immediately before such call for the previous question may have been made.

VI. If the vote of the Lodge, taken pursuant to such call for the previous question, be in the affirmative, the Presiding Officer shall thereupon forthwith put to vote the question so pending, immediately before such call, and shall allow no amendment or further debate thereon; and if, on the other hand, the vote of the Lodge be in the negative, the Presiding Officer shall be thereby precluded from putting to vote, during the remainder of the current term, the question pending as aforesaid.

VII. Any member may require the division of a question, when the sense will admit of it.

VIII. When a blank is to be filled, the question shall first be taken on the highest sum or number, or latest time proposed.

IX. The Yeas and Nays shall be taken and recorded on the call of any member, duly seconded.

X. After any question, except that of indefinite postponement or the previous question, may have been decided, any two members having voted in the majority, may at the same or next regular meeting, move for a reconsideration thereof; but no discussion on the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.

XI. Any question decided by the Lodge shall not again be brought before it, otherwise than by reconsideration, as provided in the foregoing rule, unless notice thereof shall have been given at the meeting immediately preceding; and such notice shall not be received during the term in which the question has been decided.

XII. Every member shall have the privilege of speaking twice on any question, but not oftener, unless by permission of the Presiding Officer.

XIII. Any Brother intending to speak on a question shall rise in his place and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confining himself to the question, and avoiding personalities; and should more than one Brother rise to speak at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall determine which is entitled to the floor.

XIV. The Presiding Officer or any member, may call a Brother to order while speaking; and, in such case, the debate shall be forthwith suspended, and the Brother so called to order shall not proceed until the point of order thus raised be determined, nor speak upon such point of order unless it be to make necessary explanation or appeal from the decision of the Chair.

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XVI. Any Brother who may have been called to order for manifestation of temper, or improper feeling, must apologize to the Lodge or to any aggrieved party, if required to do so by the Presiding Officer, and shall not speak again on the pending question, except to explain or apologize, unless specially permitted to do so by the Presiding Officer.

XVII. The Presiding Officer of the Lodge may, at any time, require all members present to vote upon any pending question, or may excuse any member or members from so doing.

XVIII. Brothers, not members of this Lodge, may address the Lodge on receiving permission to that effect from the Presiding Officer.

 $\rm XIX.$ No Brother shall retire while the Lodge is open, without the permission of the Presiding Officer.

XX. A motion to suspend or alter the Order of Procedure, as concarried by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon; but no motion to suspend or alter such Order of Procedure for a longer term shall at any time be put to vote.

XXI. These Rules, or any part thereof, shall only be altered, amended, suspended, or annulled (except in the case provided for by Rule XX), by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

By direction of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, under a resolution adopted at Dallas, 1896 (Jour. p. 14,964), the following telegraph cipher and key, which was adopted at Atlantic City in 1895, report 134 (Jour. p. 14,555), is hereto appended.

In view of the many frauds who are travelling and imposing on the Order, no Lodge shall grant pecuniary aid to a stranger until his Lodge has been communicated with by this Cipher.

TELEGRAPH CIPHER AND KEY.

HOUSE.—Is in our city, holding a Visiting Card from your Lodge, and asking of us financial assistance.

FUNDS.—Shall we aid him, and draw on you to the extent

CASH.—Is in our city asking financial assistance, and claims membership in your Lodge in good standing.

RIVER.—Has your Lodge a member in good standing by the name of———?

Boat.—He is an expelled member and has not been in good standing for———.

WHITE.—We don't know any such party, and he does not belong to our Lodge.

GRIP.—Draw on us for the amount of expenses incurred.

CAUTION.—Look out for a fraud named ————

SECRETARY.—He has a fraudulent Card.

FINAL.—A member of your Lodge died here.

BLACK.—He is a fraud, and if he has a Card or other papers from this Lodge they are forgeries.

RED.—Holding a Visiting Card from your Lodge, died here.

GREEN.—Wire instructions to us at once as to the disposition of his remains.

YELLOW.—Is in our city and very sick. Claims membership in your Lodge. Shall we give him attendance on your account?

PURPLE.—We think it best to bury him there.

Lodge. - Forward remains to this place by -----.

REGALIA.—Assist him and we will honor draft to the extent

HELP.—Will your Lodge pay nurse hire, and how much per day?

The for Long Brock

Otonabee ...

Phœnix ... Rose Chatham ... Eureka Elgin Erie Gore Samaritan ... St. Mary's ... Forest City . Rond Eau . Avon Excelsior ... Frontier Mount Zion . Unity Dominion ... Canada Otter ... Covenant .

Niagara Falls

Collingwood.

Fidelity Queen City . Maple Leaf .

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LIST OF PAST GRANDS.

The following is a list of Past Grands, as shown by the returns:

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LODGE.	No	DEC. 31ST, 1897.	
Brock	. (Albert E. Miller	JUNE 30TH, 1898.
Cataraqui	TO	F. Raney	
Otonabee	11	A. Rose	. T. D. Robinson
Union	16		
Phœnix	22		
Rose	28		J. H. Kirby
Chatham	29		Jas. F. Vigor
Eureka	30		W. A. Wanless
Elgin	32		
Erie		E. Rowe	E. Rowe
Gore	33	W. B. Gates	D. McNeilie
Samaritan	34	Wm. Gillespie	J. Bauslaugh
St. Mary's	35	C. Ocomn	Jas. Sprague
Forest City	36	J. B. Laning	J. B. Laning
Rond Eau	38	WIII. Witherspoon	Wm. Witherspoon
Avon	40	John Peters	Wm. Tesky
Excelsion	41	w. D. McLennan	Geo. G. Nomabell
Excelsior	44	Geo. S. Ross.	W. D. Taylor
Frontier	45	A. W. Reid	A. W. Reid
Mount Zion	46	D. Webster	Robt. Callan
Unity	47	Geo. F. Moxted	Jno. T. Taylor
Dominion	48	r. B. Parkinson	Geo. Logan
Canada	49	H. W. Taylor	Thos. S. Scully
Otter	50	wm. Havton	Wm Hastan
Covenant	52	John O. Neil	Wm. Hayton
Niagara Falls	53	John Wilson	H. C. Fowler
Collingwood	54		John Wilson
ridenty	55	W. D. McLean	A. Mott
Queen City	56	S. J. Rugg	F. J. Burrows, M.D.
Maple Leaf	57	T. T. Paul	C. Gentleman
noward	58	S. P. Furey	Theo. Downer
Kingston	59	J. J. Hunter	Fred. H. Orr
Corinthian	61	W Foster	Robt, Diack
Huron	62	W. Foster	Wm. Marritt
Barrie	63	Davy D. Reed	Dudley Holmes
Victoria	64	Geo. Coles	Geo. Coles
Friendship	65	John C. Munro	Thos. A. Martin
rio Nightingale	66	Wm. Hill	Wm. Hill
Exeter		F. A. Hoddy	C. A. Cawker
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	LODGE.	No.		JUNE 30TH, 1898.	
	North Star	68	Edward C. Cross	H. W. Jakeway	
	Hope	69	F. J. Yorke	Thos. W. Morrison	
	Lucan	70	Herbert Gibson	Herbert Gibson	
	The Toronto	71	Frank Hyde	Wm. McLellan	
	Eastern Star	72	Alex, Smith		
	Fergus		F W Tomplie	W. E. Hewis	
	Bothwell	73	F. W. Templin	A. E. Nichols	
	Warrings	74	A. Catto	A. Catto	
	Warriner	75	Wm. Monet	Jas. Hortop	
	St. Thomas	76	Robt. Simpson	A. Barber	
	Oxford	77	R. A. Size	R. A. Size	
	Durham	78	Fred. Rosevear	S. T. Hopper	
	Nipissing	79	A. P. Brownscombe .	S. B. Todd	
	Amity	80	W. H. Plumb	W. H. Plumb	
	Belleville	81	H. W. Bell	J. F. Wills	
	Beaver	82	Zacha Wigle	T. H. Lonnan	
	Clinton	83	H. E. Hodgens		
	Walkerton	84	The Milet	H. E. Hodgens	
	Constellation		Thos. Elliott	Thos. Willoughby	
		85	W. J. Loggie	Jas. Storey	
	Napanee	86	F. E. Van Luren	J. J. Berry	
	Empire	87	Hy. A. Bald	S. Frier	
	Olive Branch	88	Jno.W. Dutton	Jno. J. Watt	
	Reliance	89	Robt, Tovel	T. A. Forster	
	Ivy	90	W. G. S. Fraser	W. G. S. Fraser	
	Grand River	91	H. Byers	Geo. Hoffman	
	Milton	92	Duncan McKay	Duncan McKay	
	Western City	93	Jas. Pritchard	C. C. Pink	
	Aylmer	94	C. T. Burdick		
	Nith	96		C. S. Bridgeman	
	Grand Union		H. Weise	H. Weise	
	Minto	97	G. A. May	Nelson Twiel	
	Minto	98	Geo. J. Plant	J. C. Thompson	
	Lindsay	100	J. S. Henderson	W. Carmichael	
	Golden Star	101	Robt. Patterson	Jas. Stewart	
	Deseronto	102	W. E. Stuart	Thos. E. Stuart	
	Cataract	103	C. A. Vanderburg	C. A. Vanderburg	
	Crescent	104	Thos. Taylor	Wm. Wheaton	
	Manilla	105	Jno. Carter	J. Carter	
		106	D. W. McKenzie	Jas. Henderson	
		107	Jas. H. Bell	Francis Williams	
		108	Wm. Scott, Jr	Donald Ross	
		109			
		110	J. Gane	J. Gane	
			Wm. L. Brown	Hugh Stevenson	
	Lucknow	III	F. F. Perry	F. F. Perry	
	M	112	Jas. W. Armstrong	Peter Smith	
		113	H. F. Whittier	J. W. Collins	
		114	Geo. B. Haynes	A. J. Reid	
		115	W. R. McCormack	Jas. Brown	
		116	E. H. Wilson	M. White	
		117	John Douglas	John Douglas	
1		119	John Corwyn	J. P. Kennedy	
		120	C. McGregor	Geo. Pierce	
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	Streetsville		D. Gray	D. Gray	
	Directovine	22	T. W. Miller	W. G. Webster	

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Hillsburgh
Sutton
Grey Denovo Madoc Owen Sound.... Tecumseh Teeswater

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Dresden 12			
Stella	5 Alex. McFadden		
Sarma 12		- Somery	
Mizpah	7 Geo Johnston		
Charity 12		. A. Mathews	
Livingston 130		. Wm. Shier	
Marion 13			
		A. F. Wright	
Clanos		N. J. Robinson	
Orient		J. E. Roome	٠
	W. H. Robinson	C Ramov	
		A I Penner	
St Lawrence 136		H C Wohh	
St. Lawrence 137	W. J. Moore	W I Masses	
Ancaster 138	Geo. I. Sharpe	J. Vipond	
Garnet 139	Francis Yeo, Ir	R. H. Anily.	
Leamington 140	wm. Prosser	Geo. McIntyre	
Concord 142	John Pulford	Albert Pulford	
Bay of Quinte 143	S. A. Seeds	H. J. Allison	
Ridgetown 144	E. Mitton		
Riverside	R. H. Knox	Peter G. Martin	
Vivian TA6	P. Tait	S. Landon	
Model	W. H. Hartley	S. Acheson	
Aurora 148	F. Packer	A. McKay	
Western Star 140	Wm. H. Kerr	Thos. Grimshaw	
Sycamore	Richard Wilson	A. McGuire	
Hayden 152	C. G. Hulet.	Richard Wilson	
Wildey 152	Arthur Westman	C. G. Hulet	
Alpha 154	Tae H Downsta	Arthur Westman	
Brougham	Jas. H. Bennett	Thos. Nesbitt	
Pyramid 156	T. Trivett	Alf. Hoover	
Thamesville 157	W W Water	P. Atkinson	
Progress	W. H. Watts	W. C. Ingalls	
Oak Leaf	W. C. Walker	W. C. Walker	
Listowel 159	Jas. Barr	Robt. Fleming	
Simcoe 161	Wm. M. Adamstone.	Wm. M. Adamstone	
	Geo. Berry	Walter W. Cole	
	H. R. Gregor	Geo. A. Grant	
	Geo. Lawrence	Frank B. Jeffrey	
	Wm. Arksey	Wm. Arksey	
	John Murphy	John Murphy	
	Geo. D. Munro	Geo. D. Munro	
Denovio	A. Robertson	A. Robertson	
Penetangers 170	J. H. Sieffert	J. H. Sieffert	
Penetangore 172 Emerald 173	Thos. Inglis	R. W. Clements	
Dolman 173	Geo. Reid	A. E. Rastric	
Dolman 174	Duncan Fair	W. A. Smuck	
Dauncey 176	F. Johnson	J. H. Powell	
Montana 177	Geo. Paulin	John Douglas	
Wellington Square . 178	H. K. McCov	Joshua Kerns	
179	E. D. Harrison	Wm. Richardson	
n 100	Geo. H. Kevs	R C Taylor	
102	W. M. Bell	R. C. Taylor	
reeswater 183	Dugald Stewart	R. Green	
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LODGE. No. Germania 184		JUNE 30TH, 1898.
Germania 184	V. M. Berlet	A. B. McBride
Dufferin 186	John Whitten	John Whitten
Cambridge 188	F. Levanduskey	Fred. Levanduskey
Parry Sound 189	John Galna	E. Bregg
Chorazin 190	S. Baker	Jarid Vining
Jarvis 191	D. M. Allen	S. E. Davidson
Howick 192	R. Ross	R. Ross
Albert 194	W. H. Harlton	
Cicerone 195	L. Gilchrist	Ino. T. Flowers
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	A. Vansickle	Chas. Coutts
	J. M. Fielding	Wm. Evans
	H. Proctor	H. A. Mallory
Rescon 200	S. H. Hill	S. H. Hill
Begcon 201	John Houser	John Houser
Silver Star 202	John McCloy	John McCloy
Pembroke 203	Chas. Fraser	John A. Beatty
Acton 204	H. Ramshaw	H. Ramshaw
Ahiram 205	John Collins	John Collins
Silver City 206	Jas. McEwan	John Mitchell
Egremont 207	L. H. Cook	Wm. Conkey
Alvinston 208	Jas. Wiffler	Chris. Wallis, Jr.
Millbank 209	W. B. Freeborn	W. B. Freeborn
Brucefield 210	John Kaiser	John Kaiser
Lilly 211	C. Morrison	Chas. Venning
Argyle 212	Isaac Amery	F. Carson
Clifford 214	H. Eaglesham	H. Eaglesham
Freestone 215	R. H. Montgomery.	D W Montage
Elmira 216	A. H. Erb	R. H. Montgomery
Mount Brydges 217	John P. Grigg	S. H. Ratz
Enterprise 218	Geo. T. Newman	D. J. Donaldson
	W I Loothandala	J. W. Brien
	W. J. Leatherdale	W. A. Gill
	A. Brooker	Jacob Mitchell
	J. F. Maher	John Hislip
Hensall 223	David Nicol	•J. McArthur
Ottawa 224	· F. Gallagher	R. E. Cockburn
Norfolk 225	Jas: Sloan	E. P. Bogley
Merlin	L. B. Marshall	W. P. Teskey
Sauble 227	Jas. E. Grant	John Milne
International 228	A. Merryweather	A. Merryweather
Embro Star 229	D. W. Sutherland	M. Murray
Prince of Wales 230	A. Stanners	H. W. Mansell
Elora 231	C. Freedman	Wm. Robertson
Equity 232	D. J. Almas	D. J. Almas
Hanover 233	E. S. Cressman	E. S. Cressman
Ilderton 234	J. Paisley	Jas. Paisley
Waterford 235	Chas. O. Duncombe.	F. F. Marlatt
Acorn 236	S. W. Trusler	G. E. Fulcher
Farmersville 237	Geo. E. Judson	Geo. E. Judson
Stirling 239	G. B. Hagerman	
	A Landele	J. E. Halliwell
Rideau 240	A. Landels	R. Cotton
*****	W. J. Steele	Jno. A. Johnston
Wilton 242	T. G. Lewis	W. E. Gurney

Thornbury Port Arthu Mallorytow Gordon ... Campbellfo Beaverton .
Ridgeley .
Bracebridge Floral Caledonia . Alba Grand Valle Credit.... Thamesford Lynden ... Meaford... Gold Hill . Norwood . . East Toront Fraternity. Delta Missanabie Algoma ... Stanley Woodstock Lansdowne North Bay . . Lakeview .. Hastings ... Midland ... Fairy Lambton ... Rockliffe ... Grenville ... Balmoral ... Arthur Sudbury . . . Earnscliffe . Rodney Minnetonka Thomasburg Broadview ...

Manotick . Pontypool . Mayflower .

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Thornbury	243		John H. Wickenson
Port Arthur	244	J. L. Webb	W. H. Hesson
Mallorytown	245	A. Burnham	
Gordon	247	Elgin Hayes	F. H. Mallony
Campbellford	248	Wm. Doxsee	Elgin Hayes
Beaverton	249	A Chalman	Thos. Pope
Ridgeley	250	A. Chalmers	H. Logan
Bracebridge	251	J. B. Campbell	C. Anderson
Floral		A. F. Yuili	James L. Fenn
Caledonia	252	C. Porter	G. E. Buck
Alba	253	D. M. Turnbull	John W. Avery
Grand Valley	254	J. Willoughby	E. W. Gemmill
Credit	256	Stewart Tate	Geo. Swain
Thamesford	257	Jas. Justice	Wm. J. Stevenson
I unden	258	J. W. Cunningham.	H. Thomas
Lynden	259	F. C. Braithwaite	Sam. J. Aikin
Meaford	260	A. A. Jordan	A. McK. Cameron
Gold Hill	261	G. M. Reoch	C. E. Meads
Norwood	262	F. Fry	Wm. J. Webster
East Toronto	263	R. G. Beatty	R. G. Beatty
Fraternity	264	Thos. Crosbie	Jno. Munro
Delta	265	W. J. Birch	W. J. Birch
Missanabie	266	John Hannah	W. R. McAdam
Algoma	267	T. N. Rutledge	J. T. Hollinshead
Stanley	268	J. F. Jackson	John A. Watt
Woodstock	269	Walter James	P. W. Keyes
Lansdowne	270	W. McConnell	Ferman Cross
North Bay	271	T. N. Colgan	E. E. Eddy
Lakeview	272	H. W. West	Robt. Leachman
Hastings	273	W. A. Johnson	W. A. Johnson
Midland	274	R. O. Stokes	S. J. Richardson
Fairy	275	Wm. Bell	Geo. D. Johnson
Lambton	277	Ed. Clark	John Hayne
Rockliffe	278	Jas. Graham	E. W. Roper
Grenville	279	W. F. Ritchie	Wm. Grant
	280	R. J. Oliver	A. L. Mills
	281	Wm. Hallan	Geo. G. Farwell
Sudbury	282	Chas, Ade	Geo. J. Oliver
	283	W. S. Brody	R. J. Huton
	284	Fred. Burns	G. Billings
	285	N. A. Utman	N. A. Ultman
	286	Thos. N. Cummings.	Edw. Fennell
	287	R. D. McKenzie	Thos. E. McGow
	288	E. W. Forward	
	289	Jas. McLachlin	E. W. Forward
	290	N. M. Lloyd	Wm. A. Brodie
TO 2.4 (2.2)		J. H. Martin	N. M. Lloyd
	292	John Armstrong	D. Mistele
	293	Fd Way	J. J. Hill
	294	Ed. Way	Jas. E. Brown
	295	E. Martin S. J. Hawkins	J. Gibbs
	295 296	Wm. Shafford	J. A. Rice
		Thee C Thompson	Wm. Shafford
	297	Thos. C. Thompson.	A. C. Wagar

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Elgin, Erie Gore..... Samaritan... St. Mary's ... Forest City ... Rond Eau ... Avon.... Excelsior.... Frontier.... Mount Zion ... Unity Dominion ... Canada Otter Covenant...
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Collingwood.
Fidelity...
Queen City...
Maple Leaf...
Howard Howard..... Kingston.... Corinthian Huron Barrie Friendship Florence Nighti Exete North Star.... Норе The Toronto ... Eastern Star Oxford..... Durham.... Nipissing ...

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t. Marv's	35		. 5	8	Thursday.
t. Marv's	36	Brantford	. 10	279	Monday.
	90	Ingersoll	. 11		Thursday.
orest City		St. Mary's			Tuesday.
ond Ean	40	London	. 12	105	Monday.
von		Blenheim	. 2	152	Friday.
celsior		Stratford	. 16	261	Wednesday.
ontier	45	Windsor	. 9	100	Thursday.
ount Zion		Newbury	. 1	213	Thursday.
nity		Hamilton	3 9	35	Thursday.
	48	London	10		Wednesday.
	20	Toronto	19	153 I	riday.
ter	00	Tilsonburg	5	203 H	riday.
venantagara Falls	02	Loronto	19	164 2	Monday.
llingwood	03 1	Niagara Folle	8	154 T	nd and 4th Tuesday.
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een City	00 5	caforth	15	30 V	Vednesday.
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ward	58 6	Orangeville	21	39 T	hursday.
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ron	62 G	Shawa	33	253 T	hursday.
rie	63 B 64 H	arrie	15	119 T	hursday.
	64 H	lamilton	20	88 M	onday.
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rence Nightingale	00 B	owmanville	33	118 Fr 148 W	iday.
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ern Star 7	9 1	oronto	19	82 M	onday.
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LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	o.	30th 1898.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
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Napanee	. 86	Nesses	00		·
Empire	87	St. Catharines	39	72 117	Tuesday. Thursday.
Olive Branch	. 88	Woodstock	11	127	Monday.
Reliance	. 89	Guelph	17	171	Monday.
lvy	. 90	Parkhill	13	57	Thursday.
Grand River	91	Paris	10	96	Thursday. Tuesday.
Western City		Chatham	2	91	Monday.
Aylmer	. 94	Aylmer	ã	148	Tuesday.
Nith		New Hamburg	16	48	Thursday.
Grand Union	97	Berlin	17	100	Friday.
Minto Lindsay		Harriston	22 34	109	Friday.
Golden Star	101	Brampton	18	31	Monday. Thursday.
Deseronto	102	Deseronto	39	88	Wednesday.
Cataract	. 103	Niagara Falls South	8	53	Thursday.
Crescent		Hamilton	9	297	Friday.
Manilla	105	Manilla Point Edward	34	35	Monday.
Waterloo		Galt	14 17	263	Thursday. Monday.
Royal Oak	108	Forest	13	75	Monday.
Orion	109	Georgetown	18	44	Monday.
Laurel	. 110	Toronto	19	109	2nd and 4th Monday.
Peterborough	111	Peterborough	36	212	Thursday.
Lucknow	1112	Trenton	24 39	100	Friday.
Gananoque		Gananoque	40	220	Wedne day. Monday.
Harmony		Brantford	10	187	Tuesday.
Naomi	. 116	Markham	19	47	Monday.
Valley City		Dundas	9	125	Thursday.
Maitland		Wingham	23	155	Thursday. Friday.
Saxon	121	Ailsa Craig	13	40	Wednesday.
Saxon	122	Streetsville	18	34	Friday.
Dresden	. 124	Dresden	2	113	Monday.
Stella	. 125	Carleton Place	45	101	Friday.
Sarnia	126	Sarnia	14	133	Tuesday. Monday.
Charity	. 129	Sunderland	39 34	25	Monday.
Livingstone	. 130	Thorold	8	30	Tuesday.
Marion		Renfrew	46	108	Monday.
Oakville		Oakville	18	58	Monday.
Orient		Glencoe	3 7	50	Tuesday. 1st and 3rd Tuesday.
Peaceful Dove		Cannington	34	51	Thursday.
Cobourg	. 136	Cobourg	35	102	Wednesday.
St. Lawrence	. 137	Brockville	41	125	Thursday.
Ancaster	138	Ancaster	9	51	Monday.
Garnet	139	Mount Forest	22	65 121	Tuesday.
eamington	142	Kingsville	i	76	Friday.
Bay of Quinte	. 143	Picton	39	121	Wednesday.
Ridgetown	144	Ridgetown	3	95	Wednesday.
Riverside	145	Iroquois	42	65	Tuesday.
Vivian	146	Amprior	46 14	63	Tuesday.
Aurora	148	Aurora	20	79	Alternate Mondays. Tuesday.

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Pyramid
Thamesville
Progress
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Orner
Grey
Denovo
Penetangore
Emerald
Dolman
Dauncey
Montaina
Toumesh
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Dolman
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LODGE.	No.	LOCATION.	In District No.	Membership 30th June, 1898.	NIGHT OF MERTING
Western Star	149	Brussels	23	81	Thursday.
Sycamore	151	Arkona	13	54	Tuesday.
Wildey	152 153	Norwich	5	61	Friday.
Alpha	154	Granton	16	65	Wednesday.
Brougham	155	Almonte	45 33	109	Monday.
yramid	156	Newmarket	20	18 20	Thursday.
Chamesville	157	Thamesville	3	163	Tuesday. Thursday.
Progress	158	Guelph	17	117	Thursday.
Listowel	159	Hamilton	9	59	Alternate Tuesdays.
imcoe	160 161	Listowel	22	70	Tuesday.
Priental	163	Simcoe	6 42	62	Friday.
Comeo	164	Stratford	16	89	Monday.
Beethoven	165	Brooklin	33	174 39	Tuesday. Friday.
Tillsburgh	167	Hillsburg	21	25	Friday.
rey	168	Sutton	32	28	1st and 3rd Monday.
enovo	169 170	Durham	22	27	Monday,
enetangore	172	Fort Elgin Kincardine	25	44	Monday.
merald	173	Dunnville	24	155	Tuesday.
Joiman	174	Ayr	7	. 57	Tuesday.
auncey	176	Thedford	13	101	Tuesday. Wednesday.
Iontana Vellington Square	177	Wroxeter	23	15	Monday.
ladoc	178	Burlington	9	46	Alternate Mondays.
wen Sound	179 180	Madoc Owen Sound	38	101	Monday.
ecumseh	182	Otterville	37	77	Thursday.
ceswater	183	Tee-water	23	70	Monday.
ermania	184	Waterloo	17		Wednesday. Thursday.
ufferin	186	Flesherton	27		Tuesday.
	188	Preston	17	35	Wednesday.
horazin	189 190	Parry Sound	30	77	Monday.
owick	191	London East	12	128	Monday.
owick		Gorrie	6 23	35	Monday.
Dert	194	Toronto	19	160	Tuesday. Friday.
	195	Woodville	34		Tuesday.
	196	Florence	3	83	Monday:
ritannia	197 198	Hamilton	9	63	Alternate Wadnesdays
eston	200	Weston	22 19	44	Wednesday. st and 3rd Tuesday.
acon	201	Port Colborne	7	30 1 87 1	st and 3rd Tuesday.
	202 1	Milverton	16		Wednesday. Friday.
	203 1	embroke	47	120	Tuesday.
	204	Acton	18		st and 3rd Wednesday.
ver City	205 1 206 7	Paisley	25	115	Tuesday.
remont	07 1		24	72 1	riday.
vinston	08 I A	lvinston.	12	30 E	riday.
libank	09 1	fillbank	16	41 7 32 1	hursday. st and 3rd Wednesday.
ucefield	10 1	rucefield	15		nd and 4th Friday.
	11 I	Orchester Station	12		fonday.
Hord	12 1	Vapanee	39	87 1	hursday.
estone	15 E	lifford	8	70 T	hursday. fonday.
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Mount Brydges	217	Mount Brydges	12	109	Friday.
Enterprise	218	Essex Centre	1	163	Thursday.
Georgian Bay	219 220	Waubaushene	29	93	Thursday.
Chesley	221	South Woodslee Chesley	1 26	32	Monday.
Hensall	223	Hensall	15	53 57	Tuesday. Friday.
Ottawa	224	Ottawa	44	165	Wednesday.
Norfolk	225	Port Dover	6	68	Tuesday.
Merlin	226	Merlin	2	47	Thursday.
nternational	227 228	Tara	26	60	Friday.
Embro Star	228	International Bridge. Embro	.7	181	Thursday.
rince of Wales	230	Toronto	11 19	22 70	Tuesday.
Clora	231	Elora	17	60	Tuesday. Thursday.
Equity	232	Hagersville	6	12	Wednesday.
lanover	233	Hanover	26	13	Wednesday
lderton	234	Ilderton	12	25	Wednesday. 1st and 3rd Thursday.
Vaterford	235	Waterford	6	91	Thursday.
corn	236 237	Camlachie	13	27	2nd and 4th Tuesday.
tirling	239	Farmersville	41	21	Wednesday.
arleton	240	StirlingOttawa	37 44	129 182	Wednesday.
Rideau	241	Smith's Falls	41	168	Thursday.
Vilton	242	Toronto	19	106	Tuesday.
hornbury	243	Thornbury	28	31	Friday.
ort Arthur	244	Port Arthur	52	59	Wednesday.
allorytownordon	245 247	Mallorytown	41	48	Wednesday.
ampbellford	248	Palmerston	22 37	68	Thursday.
eaverton	249	Beaverton	34	67	Tuesday. Monday.
idgely	250	Oil Springs	14	51	Monday.
racebridge	251	Bracebridge	41	59	Monday.
loral	252	Toronto	-19	83	Monday
aledonialba	253 254	Caledonia	6	18	1st and 3rd Friday.
rand Valley	256	Pakenham Grand Valley	46	50	Thursday.
redit	257	Erin	21 21	32	Friday.
hamesford	258	Erin Thamesford	ii	32 119	Tuesday. Thursday.
ynden	259	Lynden	10	32	Al ernate Wednesdays
eaford	260	Meaford	38	73	Monday.
old Hill	261	Rat Portage	53	146	Thursday.
ast Toronto	262 263	Norwood	36	24	Tuesday.
aternity	264	East Toronto (York) .	19 45	67	1st and 4th Tuesday.
elta	265	Delta	41	64 28	Monday. Tuesday.
issanabee	266	Chapleau	51	63	Tuesday.
lgoma	267	Fort William West	52	65	Thursday.
anley	268	Lanark	45	29	Thursday.
oodstock	269	Woodstock	11	101	Friday.
orth Bay	270 271	Lansdowne	40	69	Tuesday.
keview	272	North Bay Toronto Junction	19	87 68	Tuesday.
astings	273	Hastings	37		Friday. Monday.
lidland	274	Midland	29	33	Friday.
airy	275	Huntsville	31		Monday.
ambton	277	Brigden	14	64	Tuesday.
ockcliffe		Ottawa	44		Tuesday.

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Broadview
Manotick
Pontypool
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Hattsville
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Star
Valentine
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Princeton
Hillbrook
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Grenville Balmoral	279	Kemptville	43	75	Monday.
Arthur	280 281	Merrickville	41	61	Monday.
Sudbury	281	Sault Ste. Marie	50	73	Thursday.
Earnscliffe	283	Sudbury	49	69	Alternate Wednesdays
Lyn	284	Cumming's Bridge	44	109	Wednesday.
Morewood	285	Lyn	41	27	Wednesday
Koyal	286	Morewood	43	42	1st and 3rd Wednesday
Kipley	287	Havelock	36	57	Thursday.
Chesterville	288	Ripley	24	71	Monday.
Jlanworth	2.9	Glanworth	43	20	Friday.
weed	290	Tweed	4	35	Tuesday.
Rodney	291	Rodney	38	53	Tuesday.
Minnetonka	292	Keewatin	3	45	Friday.
Chomasburg	293	Thomasburg	53	68	Wednesday.
Broadview	294	Toronto	19	61	Friday.
Anotick	295	Manotick	44	129	Monday.
ontypool	296	Pontypool	36	48	Friday.
Mayflower	297	Parham	40	43	Friday.
omber	298	Comber	1	52	Wednesday.
ornucopia	299	McLaren's Depot	40	72	2nd and last Tuesday. Wednesday.
obcaygeon	300	Bobcavgeon	34	41	Tuesday.
berdeen	301	Plattsville	11	45	Wednesday.
ellowship	302	Aultsville	42	27	1st and 3rd Monday.
tar	303	Dickinson's Landing .	42	37	2nd and 4th Tuesday.
alentine	305	Crampton	4	58	Tuesday.
thena	306	Moretown	14	43	Wednesday.
rinceton	207	Harrowsmith	40	36	Monday.
lillbrook .	308		11	52	Monday.
arrow	309	Millbrook	35	72	Tuesday.
nedden		Shedden	1 1	56	Monday.
eta		Morrisburg	4	29	Wednesday.
Dirit Rock		Wiarton	42	70	Thursday.
lectric City	313	Chippewa	26		Monday.
ospect	314	Toronto	8	40	Monday.
ountain		Mountain	43	140	Friday.
itain	210	Little Britain	34		Thursday.
urentian	317	Westport	41		Monday. Fhursday.
ebbwood	318	Bervie	24		Thursday.
neva	319	Webbwood	49		Tuesday.
espeler	320	Orillia	29		Monday.
	321	Hespeler	17 '		Chursday.
berty	322	Coronto	19		st and 3rd Friday.
tario		Berlin	17		Monday.
uthampton		Pickering	33	42 I	riday.
athcona		Southampton	25	31 F	riday.
ugeen		shelburne	21	41 7	uesday.
derwood		Markdale	27	23 F 27 N	riday.
osperity		Delhi	24 5	27 N	Ionday.

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Location.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	NIGHT OF MEETING
cton	Acton	204	2nd and 4th Mondays.
ilsa Craig	Saxon	121	Wednesday.
Imonte	Alpha	154	Monday.
lvinston	Alvinston	208	Friday.
mherstburg	Rose	28	Wednesday.
ncaster	Ancaster	138	Monday.
rnprior	Sycamore	151	Tuesday. Tuesday.
ultsville	Aberdeen	312	1st and 3rd Mondays.
urora	Aurora	148	Tuesday.
ylmer	Aylmer	94	Tuesday.
yr	Dolman	174	Tuesday.
urrie	Barrie	63	Monday.
amsville	Freestone	215	Monday.
averton	Beaverton	219	Monday.
elleville	Belleville	81	Thursday.
erlin	Mizpah	127 97	Monday. Friday.
erlin	Liberty	323	Tuesday.
rvie	Bervie	318	Thursday.
enbeim	Rond Eau	40	Friday.
bcaygeon	Bobcaygeon	300	1st and 3rd Tuesdays.
othwell	Bothwell	74	Tuesday.
wmanville	Florence Nightingale	66	Wednesday.
acebridge	Bracebridge	251	Monday.
ampton	Golden Star	101	Thursday.
antford	Gore	115	Monday. Tuesday.
idgeburg	International	228	Thursday.
igden	Lambton	277	Tuesday.
ockville	Brock	9	Tuesday.
ockville	St. Lawrence	137	Thursday.
ooklin	Beethoven	165	Friday.
ucefield	Brucefield	210	2nd and 4th Fridays.
ussels	Western Star	149	Thursday.
rlington	Constellation	85 178	Tuesday. Alternate Mondays.
ledonia	Caledonia	253	1st and 3rd Fridays.
mlachie	Acorn	236	Tuesday.
mpbellford	Campbellford	248	Tuesday.
nnington	Peaceful Dove	135	Thursday.
rleton Place	Stella	125	Friday.
apleau	Missanabie	266	Tuesday.
atham	Chatham	29	Tuesday.
atham	Western City	93 221	Monday. Tuesday.
esterville	Chesterville	288	Friday.
ippewa	Electric City	313	Monday.
ifford	Clifford	214	Thursday.
			T
	Clinton	83	Tuesday.
inton blourgbllingwood	Cobourg	136 54	Wednesday. Thursday.

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Guelph
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Location.	NAME OF LODGE.		
	TAME OF LODGE.	No.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
Cornwall	Oriental		
Crampton	Star		Tuesday.
Cumming's Bridge	Farnscliffe	304 283	Tuesday.
Delhi	Prognarity	329	Wednesday.
Delta	Delta	265	Tuesday.
Deseronto	Deseronto	102	Wednesday.
Dickinson's Landing	Fellowship	303	2nd and 4th Tuesdays.
Dorchester Station		211	Monday.
Dresden		124	Monday.
Dunnville		117	Thursday.
Ourham		173	Tuesday.
East Toronto (York)		169	Monday.
Clmira		263	1st and 4th Tuesdays.
Clora		216	Wednesday.
Smbro	Embro Ster	231	Thursday.
Crin	Credit	229 257	Tuesday.
Essex	Enterprise	218	Alternate Tuesdays.
Exeter	Evatar	67	Thursday.
armersville	. Farmersville	237	Tuesday. Wednesday.
ergus	Ferons	78	Tuesday.
lesherton	Dufferin	186	Tuesday.
lorence	Florence	196	Monday.
orest ort William West	. Royal Oak	108	Monday.
ort william west		267	Thursday.
altananoque		107	Monday.
eorgetown		114	Monday.
lanworth	Orion	109	Monday.
lencoe	Glancha	289	Tuesday.
oderich	Huron	133	Tuesday.
orrie	Howick	192	Thursday.
rand Valley	. Grand Valley	256	Tuesday. Friday.
ranton	. Wildey	153	Wednesday.
uelph	Religance	89	Monday.
uelph		158	Thursday.
agersville		232	Wednesday.
amilton		41	Thursday.
amilton	Unity	47	Wednesday.
amilton	Victoria	64	Alternate Tuesdays.
amilton	Oak Leaf	104	Friday.
amilton	Minama	159	Alternate Tuesdays.
anoverarrietsville	Hanover	197	Alternate Wednesdays
arrietsville	Hope	233	Wednesday.
arriston	Minto		Saturday. Friday.
arrow	Harrow		Monday.
arrowsmith			Monday.
astings	Hastings		Monday.
AVEIOCK	Royal		Thursday.
ensall	Hensall	223	Friday.
espelerillsburgh	Hespeler	321	Tuesday.
untsville	Hillsburgh	167	Friday.
lerton	Fairy	275	Monday.
gersoll	Ilderton	234	st and 3rd Thursdays.
gersoll	Oxford	35	l'hursday.
oquois	Riverside	77	Monday.
rvis	Jarvis	145	Tuesday.
		191	Monday.

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LOCATION.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
Keewatin	Minnetonka	292	Wadanada
Kemptville	Grenville	279	Wednesday.
Kerwood .\	Egremont		Monday.
Cincardine	Penetangore	207 172	Friday.
Kincardine	Cataraqui		Tuesday.
Kingston	Kingston	10 59	Tuesday.
Kingsville	Concord	142	Friday.
anark	Stanley	268	Friday.
ansdowne	Lansdowne	270	Thursday.
eamington	Leamington		Tuesday.
indsay	Lindsay	140	Thursday.
istowel	Listowel	100	Monday.
ittle Britain	Britain	160	Tuesday.
ondon	Eureka	316	1st and 3rd Mondays.
ondon	Forest City	30	Tuesday.
ondon .	Dominion	88 48	Monday.
ondon East	Chorazin	100	Wednesday.
ucan	Lucan	190	Monday.
ucknow	Lucknow	702	Tuesday.
yn	Lyn	112	Friday.
ynden	Lynden	284	Wednesday.
Aadoc		259	Alternate Wednesdays.
Iallorytown	Madoc	179	Monday.
Manilla	Mallorytown	245	Wednesday.
fanotick	Manilla	105	Monday.
fandick	Manotick	295	2nd and 4th Fridays.
	Saugeen	327	Friday.
Iarkham	Naomi	146	Wednesday.
	Meaford	260	Monday.
Ierlin	Merlin	226	Thursday.
	Balmoral	2-0	Monday.
Iidland	Midland	274	Friday.
fillbank	Millbank	209	1st and 3rd Wednesdays.
fillbrook	Millbrook	308	Tuesday.
Illverton	Silver Star	202	Friday.
Iilton	Milton	92	Tuesday.
lorewood	Morewood	285	1st and 3rd Wednesdays.
loretown	Valentine	305	Wednesday.
lorrisburg	Zeta	311	Thursday.
lountain	Mountain	315	Thursday.
lount Brydges	Mount Brydges	217	Friday.
lount Forest	Garnet	139	Tuesday.
cLaren's Depot	Cornucopia	299	Wednesday.
apanee	Napanee	86	Tuesday.
apanee	Argyll	212	Thursday.
ewbury	Mount Zion(46	Thursday.
ew Hamburg	Nith	96	Thursday.
ewmarket	Pyramid	156	Tuesday.
iagara Falls	Niagara Falls	53	Tuesday.
iagara Falls South	Cataract	103	Thursday.
orth Bay	North Bay	271	Tuesday.
orwich	Hayden	152	Friday.
orwood	Norwood	262	1st and 3rd Tuesdays.
akville	Oakville	132	Monday.
il Springs	Ridgely	250	Monday.
angeville	Maple Leaf	57	Thursday.
rillia	Geneva	320	Monday.
shawa	Phoenix	22	Tuesday.
shawa	Corinthian	61	Thursday.

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St. Thomas

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Ottawa	Rockliffe	. 340	
Otterville	I ecumseh	100	
Jwen Sound	Owen Sound	180	Monday. Thursday.
Paisley	Ahiram	105	
akenham	Alba	954	Thursday.
arham	Gordon		Thursday.
aris	Mayflower		Wednesday.
arkhill	Grand River		Thursday.
arry Sound	Parry Sound	90 189	
embroke	Pembroke	203	Monday. Tuesday.
erth	Fraternity	264	Monday.
eterborough	Otonabee	13	Monday.
etrolia	Peterborough	111	Thursday.
ickering	Friendship	65	Friday.
icton	Ontario	321	Friday.
ictonlattsville	Plattsville	143 301	Wednesday.
oint Edward	St. Clair	106	Wednesday. Thursday.
ontypool	Pontypool	296	Friday.
ort Arthur	Port Arthur	244	Wednesday.
ort Colborne	Erie	33	Thursday,
ort Dover	Beacon	201	Wednesday.
ort Elgin	Norfolk De Novo	225	Tuesday.
ort Hope	Durham	170	Monday.
ort Perry	Wariner	78 75	Tuesday. Monday.
escott	Amity	80	Thursday.
eston	Cambridge	188	Wednesday.
	Princeton	907	Monday.
	Gold Hill	261	Thursday.
	Ridgetown	131	Monday.
pley	Ripley	144 287	Wednesday. Monday.
diey	Rodney	291	Friday.
tuven	Beaver	82	Tuesday.
rniault Ste. Marie	Sarnia	126	Tuesday.
	Arthur	2×1	Thursday.
edden	Fidelity	55	Wednesday.
elburne	Strathcona	310	Wednesday.
ncoe	Simcoe	161 326	Friday. Tuesday.
ith's Falls 1	Rideau	241	Monday.
vner 1	North Star	68	Thursday.
ting	Stirling	239	Wednesday.
tford	von	41	Wednesday.
	Romeo	164	Tuesday.
etsville	Ioward	58 122	Wednesday.
thampton	outhampton	325	Friday. Friday.
th Woodslee	Voodslee		Wednesday.
bury S	udbury		Alternate Wednesdays.
	harity		Monday.
on S	utton		1st and 3rd Mondays.
	nion	16	Monday.
Mary's S	mpiret. Mary's	87	Thursday.
Chomas	lgin	36	l'uesday. Friday.

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reeswater		183	Wednesday.
Thamesford	Thamesford	258	Thursday.
hamesville		157	Thursday.
hedford	Dauncey	176	Wednesday.
homasburg	Thomashura	293	Friday.
hornbury		243	Friday.
horold	Livingstone	130	Tuesday.
ilsonburg	Otter	50	Monday.
iverton	Silver City	206	Friday.
oronto		49	Friday.
oronto	Covenant	52	2nd and 4th Tuesdays.
oronto	Queen City of Ontario	56	Monday.
oronto	The Toronto	71	Monday.
oronto		110	2nd and 4th Mondays.
oronto	Albert	194	Friday.
oronto	Prince of Wales.	230	
oronto	Wilton	242	Tuesday.
oronto	Flord	252	Tuesday.
oronto	Broadview	294	Monday.
oronto	Prospect		Monday.
oronto	Central	314	Friday.
oronto Junction	Lakeview	322	Friday.
renton	Trenton	272	Friday.
weed	Tweed	113	Wednesday.
nderwood	Underwood	290	Tuesday.
xbridge		328	Monday.
alkerton		79	Thursday.
allaceburg		84	Friday.
aterford		120	Friday.
aterioo		235	Thursday.
aubaushene		184	Thursday.
ebbwood		219	Thursday.
elland		319	Friday.
estport		134	Tuesday.
eston		317	Thursday.
hitby		200	1st and 3rd Tuesdays.
hitevale		72	Tuesday.
iarton		155	Thursday.
indsor		312	Monday.
ingham		45	Thursday.
oodstock		119	Thursday.
oodstock		88	Monday.
oodville		269	Friday.
roxeter		195	Tuesday.
toming		177	Wednesday.
yoming		147	Alternate Mondays.
rk	East Toronto	263	1st and 4th Tuesdays.

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JAMES D. TAIT	Brantford1862
JAMES D. TAIT	St. Catharines1865
WILLIAM N. FORD JOHN GIBSON	St. Mary's1870
JOHN GIBSON	Stratford1871
J. T. HORNIBROOK	Toronto
R. W. BELL	Peterboro 1880
P. E. FITZ-PATRICK REV. T. W. IOLLIEFE	Hamilton 1897
J. A. YOUNG	Thamesford
	1897

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With good or ill, with false or true;
And as the blessed angels turn
The pages of our years,
God grant they read the good with smiles
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WILLIAM BISSELL	London1861
JAMES WOODYATT Died August 20th, 1894.	Brantford1863
JAMES SMITH Died 26th November, 1890.	London 1864
RICHARD WIGMORE	London 1866
HENRY MCAFEE Died October 23rd, 1892.	Windsor1867
JOHN BARR 1883.	Hamilton 1868
GEORGE WRIGHT Died March 10th, 1895.	Toronto1873
WM. FITZSIMMONS	Brockville 1874
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JOHN HAM PERRY Died March 25th, 1896.	Whitby
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DIED, JULY 23RD, 1898.

Was Associate Auditor of Grand Lodge from 1884 to the date of his death.

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"Tis peace amid the storm."

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PAST GRAND, EMPIRE LODGE No. 87.

PAST CHIEF PATRIARCH,
UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, ST. CATHARINES, ONTARIO.

DIED, JUNE 29TH, 1898.

As an Odd Fellow he always took a deep interest in everything tending to advance the interests of Odd Fellowship; as a Citizen he was exemplary and greatly esteemed; as a Friend ever true; a Consistent Member and Trustee of St. Paul's Methodist Church.

"For there is hushed on earth
A voice of gladness—there is veiled a face
Whose parting leaves a dark and silent place
By the once joyous hearth."

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