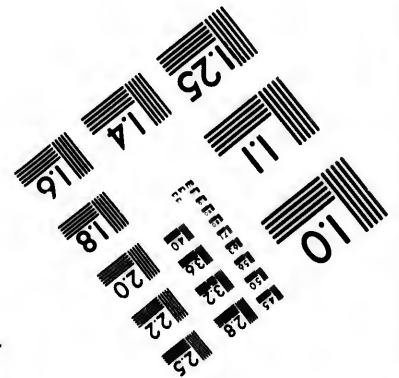
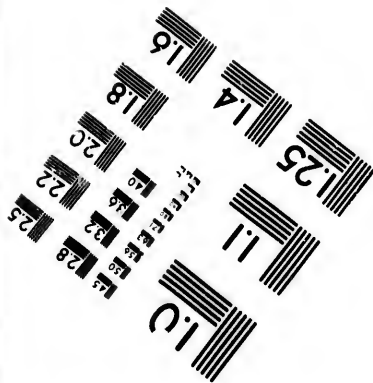
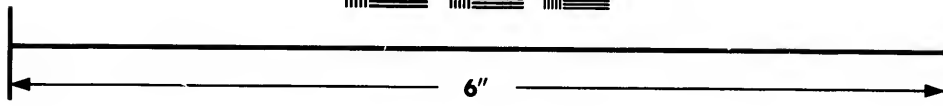
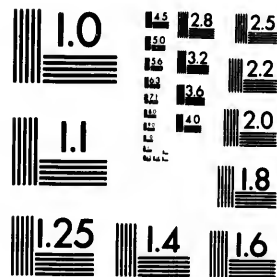


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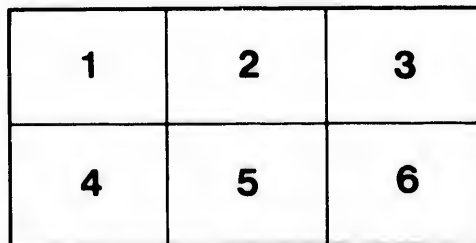
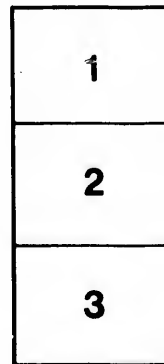
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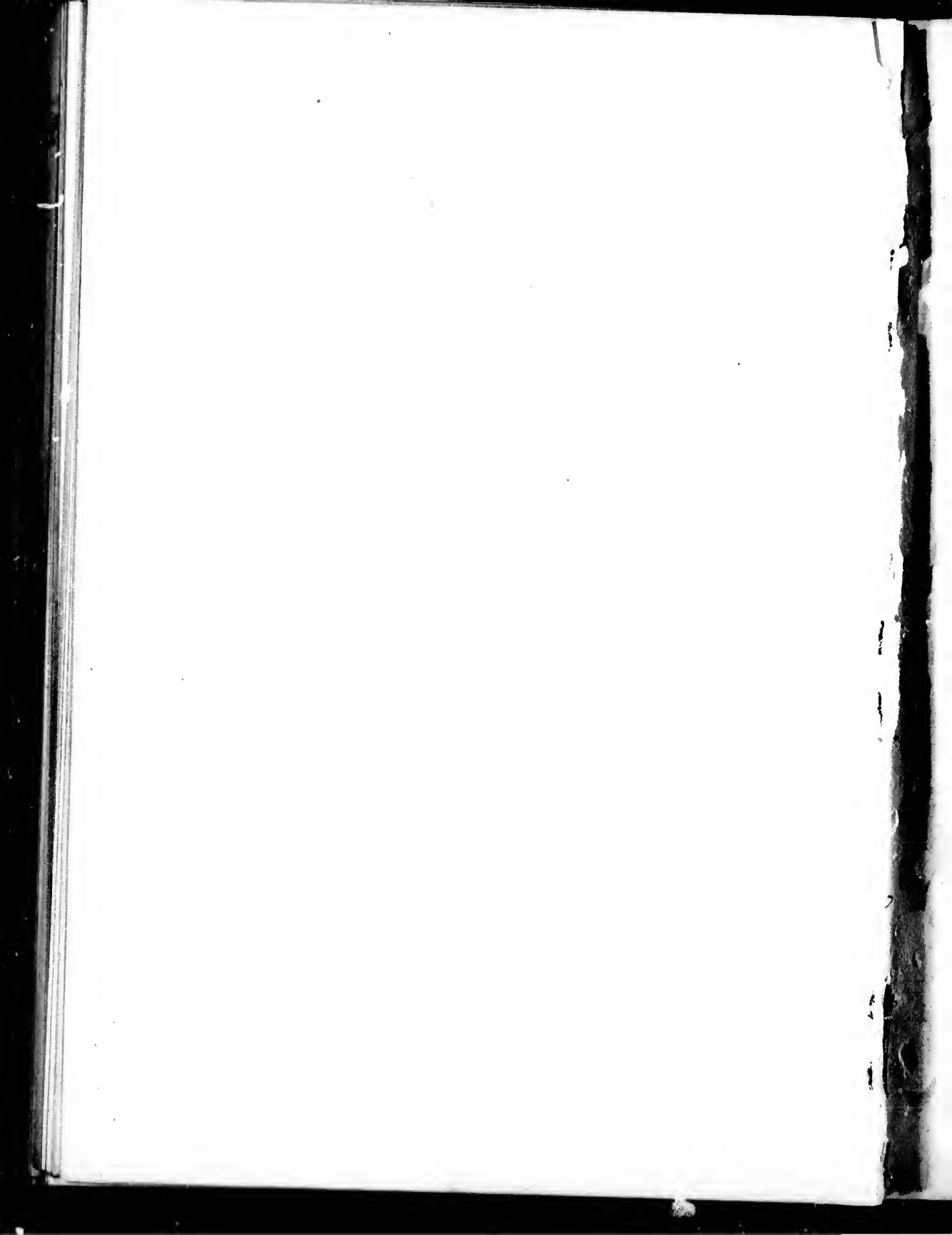
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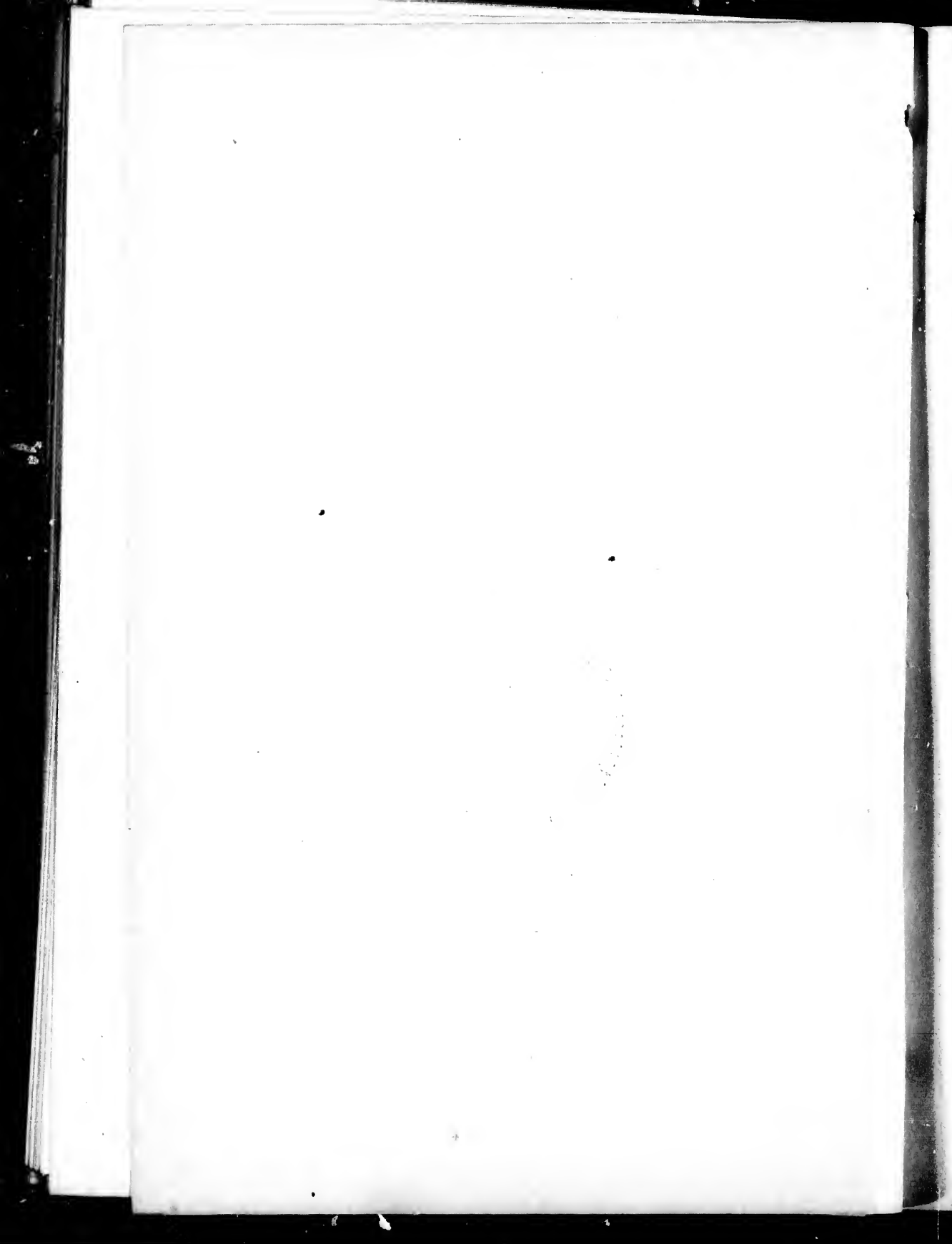


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FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Grand Master Workman F. L. Budlong called the Grand Lodge to order at 10.15 A. M.

Officers present:

J. D. Warren.....	Past Grand Master Workman.
F. L. Budlong.....	Grand Master Workman.
J. E. Church.....	Grand Foreman.
A. E. Woods.....	Grand Overseer.
J. T. McIlmoyl.....	Grand Recorder.
R. T. Williams.....	Grand Receiver.
W. A. De Wolf Smith.....	Grand Medical Examiner.
H. Kipp.....	Grand Trustee.
H. Hoy.....	Supreme Representative.
E. J. Salmon, J. E. Phillips.....	Committee on Finance.
G. Leiser, A.M. Bullock, D.C. Webber	Committee on Laws.

The Grand Master Workman made the following appointments,  
*pro tem*:

Wm. Jackson.....	Grand Guide.
J. I. Breen.....	Grand Inside Watchman.
T. H. Trahey.....	Grand Outside Watchman.



## COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

H. Hoy, Wm. Jackson, C. F. Russell.

Recess was then taken to give the Committee on Credentials an opportunity to report.

On resuming business the Report of the Committee on Credentials was presented as follows:

Document No. 1.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., of British Columbia:*

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report the following named Brethren qualified to sit in this Grand Lodge.

Victoria Lodge.....	1	Henry Mansell, Fred'k Davey, C. F. Russell, Henry Jewell.
Granville.....	2	H. E. Langis.
Fraser.....	3	George Adams.
Nanaimo.....	4	Mark Bates, Richard Gibson.
Vancouver.....	5	Wm. Jackson, H. E. Edwards.
Sullivan.....	6	A. Stewart.
Western Star.....	7	T. H. Trahey.
Perseverance.....	11	O. F. Yates.
Delta.....	12	T. W. Ker.
Leiser.....	13	E. A. Halliday.
Cloverdale.....	14	J. I. Breen.
Vernon.....	16	H. R. Park.
Maple Leaf.....	17	A. L. Lazenby.
Enderby.....	18	S. Bowell.

On motion, the Report of the Committee on Credentials was adopted, and, permission given to retire and introduce the candidates for Grand Lodge Degree. The Committee returned and presented the following Representatives:

George Adams, H. Mansell, S. Bowell, J. I. Breen, R. Gibson, E. A. Halliday, T. H. Trahey, H. R. Park, A. Stewart, F. Davey, C. F. Yates and A. L. Lazenby.

The Grand Lodge Degree was then conferred on the above named Representatives by G. M. W. Budlong, assisted by P. G. M. W. Warren.

The Roll of Officers and Representatives was then called, when the following answered to their names:

J. D. Warren.....	Past Grand Master Workman.
F. L. Budlong.....	Grand Master Workman.
J. E. Church.....	Grand Foreman.

- A. E. Woods..... Grand Overseer.
- J. T. McIlmoyl..... Grand Recorder.
- R. T. Williams..... Grand Receiver.
- W. A. De Wolf Smith..... Grand Medical Examiner.
- J. S. Corrigan..... Grand Guide.
- H. Kipp..... Grand Trustee.
- H. Hoy..... Supreme Representative.

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

E. J. Salmon, J. E. Phillips.

COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

G. Leiser, A. M. Bullock, D. C. Webber.

REPRESENTATIVES.

- Victoria Lodge..... 1 Henry Mansell, Fred'k Davey,  
C. F. Russell, Henry Jewell.
- Granville..... 2 H. E. Langis.
- Fraser..... 3 George Adams.
- Nanaimo..... 4 Mark Bates, Richard Gibson.
- Vancouver..... 5 Wm. Jackson.
- Sullivan..... 6 A. Stewart.
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- Leiser..... 13 E. A. Halliday.
- Cloverdale..... 14 J. I. Breen.
- Vernon..... 16 H. R. Park.
- Maple Leaf..... 17 A. L. Lazenby.
- Enderby..... 18 S. Bowell.

Grand Master Budlong announced the following appointments:

- J. I. Breen..... Grand Inside Watchman.
- T. H. Trahey..... Grand Outside Watchman.

COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Fred'k Davey, C. F. Yates, H. R. Park.

COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER.

A. E. Woods, A. L. Lazenby, S. Bowell.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

J. E. Church, H. E. Langis, R. Gibson.

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*Resolved*, That the work of the Grand Lodge be conducted under the Workman Degree.—Carried.

The Grand Master Workman then read his Report. Upon motion, it was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Report of the Grand Recorder was read and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Grand Receiver presented his Report. Upon motion it was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Grand Medical Examiner read his Report, which, upon motion, was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Report of the Supreme Representatives was read, and adopted.

The Report of District Deputy A. L. Lazenby, to Grand Master Workman, was read; on motion was attached to the Report of Grand Master Workman.

The Report of Committee on Finance was read, and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The Report of Special Committee on Constitution was read, and referred to Committee on Laws.

Document No. 3.]

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Victoria, B. C., March 11th, 1896.

*To the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia,  
A. O. U. W:*

BRETHREN,—Permit me to congratulate you on the assembling of the fifth Annual Session.

The year just closing, from a gain in membership point of view, has been rather of a disappointment, although we have a little more than held our own through a year of the worst depression the world has ever experienced. But from a financial standpoint we have every reason to be hopeful for the future.

I find that we have wiped out the over-draft that has been staring us in the face since organization, and, in its place, you will see by the Report of the Finance Committee, that we have a nice balance with which to carry on the work of the present Session. At the beginning of the year I divided the jurisdiction into districts and appointed the following D. D. G. M. W.:

Bro. G. Leiser .....	Victoria.
Bro. Richard Gibson.....	Nanaimo.
.....	Comox.
.....	Union.
H. R. Parke.....	Vernon.
.....	Enderby.
.....	Kelowna.
Bro. J. H. Laity.....	Vancouver.
.....	Cloverdale.
.....	Chilliwack.
.....	Hammond.

(Later on Bro. Laity was obliged to give it up and I appointed Bro. Lazenby, at which time I made Vancouver a separate district and appointed Bro. Bowser).

Bro. A. E. Woods.....	New Westminster.
Bro. F. Lord.....	Ladners.
Bro. J. S. Clute.....	Kootenay.

I hope to be able to lay before you the reports from the D. D. I have not been able to visit Vernon, Enderby, Chilliwack, Cloverdale, Nanaimo, Comox and Kelowna Lodges, so from *personal observation* I am able to say but little of them. My several visits to Fraser Lodge, of New Westminster, have been most satisfactory. They are in a flourishing condition with a membership of some eighty, composed of splendid material and fairly well up in the work. My last visit was in company with Bro McIlmoyl, on the night of the installation, when a splendid meeting was held. The amalgamation of Beaver and Fraser Lodges took place in April.

Brunette Lodge, of the same place, I found in a very bad condition with the membership reduced to eight, and not holding regular meetings, and conducting its business in an irregular manner. I tried my best to help them, but they went from bad to worse until it was found advisable to call in the charter and turn the remaining membership over to Fraser Lodge, which I believe, is about settled.

I was present, and conducted the installation in Delta Lodge, No. 12, in January. I find them just about holding their own, but with little enthusiasm prevailing, and I would suggest, they be given more attention in future.

On the 11th January, I paid Maple Leaf, of Hammond, a visit and conducted a public installation with Bro. Wood, G. O.; Bro. McIlmoyl, G. R.; Bro. H. Hay, Supreme Representative, and a number of Brethren from Perseverance, Fraser, and Vancouver No. 5. In but

few Lodges have I found the work done with such promptness; its material is good, and I expect great things from No. 17 in the near future.

Granville Lodge, of Vancouver, is rather a disappointment. I find a small membership some thirty-five; and I am sorry to say a smaller amount of energy than I would wish to see. I hope the incoming Officers will find a way to infuse a little life into this Lodge. Perseverance Lodge, of Vancouver, in which I am proud to hold my membership, I have to report in a splendid condition. Its increase in the year has been 100 per cent. with several applications now before them. They conduct the business and work in an up-to-date manner, and this state of prosperity is due to individual effort. I hope that other Lodges will follow the example of Perseverance Lodge.

In July, I visited Victoria, No. 1, Vancouver, No. 5, Western Star, No. 7, and Sullivan, No. 6, all of which I am pleased to report are doing good work. When we come to consider that quite half of the membership of the Province belongs to Victoria, I consider that we of the mainland should entertain the greatest consideration toward our Brethren of Victoria, for without doubt, they are the life of A. O. U. W. matters in B. C. The Degree of Honor Lodges, I favor, and hope to see the mainland follow the example of Victoria in this respect, because I believe it has a strong influence in bringing new and young members into the Order. As grave responsibilities rest upon the Subordinate Lodges, how important it is for the welfare and prosperity of the Order, that the individual members who constitute the elements, so to speak, of this unit of the organization should wisely know and realize their duties and responsibilities to the Order. It is well to note that every Lodge is simply what the members make it. I would advise that the Subordinate Lodges be requested to appoint a Committee on Increase of Membership, and that the Master of each Lodge be made Chairman of such Committee; for it is but natural that he will use his utmost endeavors to make his term a prosperous one. The functions of this Committee, would be: First, to prevent suspensions if possible, and encourage suspended Brothers to become reinstated. Second, to influence members to attend Lodge meetings. Third, to look up and interview persons eligible for membership. And Fourth, to hold meetings at the houses of proposed candidates, or the houses of the members of the Committee, and have the objects and advantages of the Order explained, because the average candidate would prefer to join with others. If this suggestion be acted upon, I am satisfied we will be surprised at the results.

The law passed at the last meeting held in Vancouver making the Grand Medical Examiner deal directly with the Subordinate Lodges in

the collection of his fees, is, in my opinion, a bad law, and should be repealed at this Session.

I would recommend the passing of a Law that would allow this Grand Lodge to issue 1000 Beneficiary Certificates. I believe it would be the means of adding largely to our membership.

I would also be in favor of the graded assessment system becoming law, believing as I do, that something should be done to make this Grand Order perpetual. I would be remiss in my duty if I did not bring this question before you. There are several plans, but I believe the one that would be conducive of the best results is what is called the Class Grade, divided as follows:

Class A. 21 to 30 years inclusive.....	\$ 50
“ B. 31 to 35 “ “ .....	75
“ C. 36 to 45 “ “ .....	1 00
“ D. over 45 “.....	1 25

And when a member reaches the age limit assigned to one class he should pass into the next. I have devoted some time to this subject and I am satisfied this plan would work well.

Habitual drunkenness should be more fully looked into and some means devised whereby the Subordinate Lodge could be made to carry out the law in this respect. I find we have lost quite a number of members through suicide. First, business or domestic troubles, then, excessive drinking, and lastly, a suicide's grave. I believe it to be right to pay in case of suicide, but it is our duty to do all in our power to prevent the cause.

Biennial Sessions of the Grand Lodge I would recommend, at least until such time as our membership reaches 2000 or over, the expense of a yearly session is too heavy on a small membership.

Initiation fees I believe are too high and should be lowered, to meet the present hard times.

I find there is a prevailing idea that when a Brother becomes suspended, he can at any time in thirty days pay the Financier and that reinstates him. If this is allowed to go on, and Financiers give receipts to a suspended member, it will at some time be the cause of litigation.

In September I appointed a Committee on Constitution and in this Committee, I trust we will find great help in formulating a Constitution that will give entire satisfaction.

During the year I was obliged to change the personnel of my Committee on Law; in place of Bro. Wm. Kearey, Bro. G. Leiser of Victoria; and in that of Bro. Paisley, I appointed Bro. A. M. Bullock of Vancouver.

In January last I upheld the decision of D. D. G. M. W. Leiser in the case Bro Bennet and Vancouver Lodge No. 5 in not granting a dispensation to reinstate the Brother at a special meeting. (See Bro. Leiser's letter attached).

Chilliwack No. 10 drifted into such a state that I instructed the Grand Recorder to ask that the property of that Lodge be returned, and that those remaining in good standing, be attached to this Grand Lodge, until other arrangements could be made; but up to this date no answer has been received, and so the matter stands.

In closing my report I wish to thank the business officers as follows: Bro. McIlmoyl, G. R.; Bro. Williams, G. R.; and Bros. Church, Salmon, and Phillips of the Finance Committee for the very able manner they have conducted the business during the past Grand Lodge year. And I feel confident that success will follow the Brethren who are in line for the several positions, with so able and painstaking a Grand Recorder as I find in Bro. McIlmoyl and I hope that the same friendly relation will prevail among the officers as has been the case during the past year.

Fraternally submitted,  
in C. H. and P.,  
F. L. BUDLONG,  
*Grand Master.*

Victoria, B. C., January 31st, 1896.

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*F. L. Budlong, Esq., Vancouver, B. C., Grand Master Workman, A.O.U. W., of B. C.*

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—At 6.30 this evening, the Recorder of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, called on me to give his Lodge a dispensation to hold a special meeting this evening to reinstate a Bro. Richard Bennet, who has been suspended for non-payment of assessments on the 28th day of August, 1895, and has stood suspended ever since.

I refused to grant the dispensation on the following grounds:—

1. That no member so suspended shall be reinstated without obtaining the consent of the Subordinate Lodge to such reinstatement by a majority vote of the members present at a stated meeting.
2. That no specified notice had been issued to the members of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, for this special meeting.
3. That the said Bro. Richard Bennet had been suspended for a period of six months on the 28th day of January, 1896, and therefore could not be reinstated.

Allow me to state, that in my first objection, I decided that no suspended member can be reinstated except at a regular stated meeting, and in my third objection, I hold that suspension for the non-payment of assessments for August to count as one month so that Bro. Bennet would be suspended six months on January 28th last.

Please inform me as soon as possible whether you sustain my objections and if not if you wish me to grant a dispensation to reinstate Bro. Bennet at the next regular stated meeting of the said Lodge.

Awaiting your reply,

I remain,

Yours in C. H. and P.,

GUS LEISER,

*D. G. M. W.*

Port Hammond, B. C., Feb. 6th, 1896.

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*F. L. Budlong, Esq., Vancouver, B. C., Grand Master Workman, A.O.U. W., of B. C.*

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—I beg to hand you herewith my report as D.D. G. M. for the Districts of Langley, Cloverdale, Chilliwack, and Port Haney for the past year

As you are well aware, my appointment as D. D. G. M. for the former place was made just prior to a severe illness, which necessitated my remaining idle in Lodge business until the end of November, 1895, since which date I have put in considerable time in the interests of the Order.

During the month of November I communicated with Ohilliwack and Cloverdale Lodges to see what arrangements could be made for my visiting and assisting them in their work. From Chilliwack I received word that no meeting had been held for nearly a year and though Cloverdale had held meetings regularly, the membership was very small indeed, in fact there was little better than a quorum. I will now take each district separately and endeavor to give a resume of work done.

*Langley.*

On December 4th, 1895, I paid my first visit to Langley, on Lodge business, and proceeded to Murray's Corners, where I hoped to start a Lodge of A. O. U. W. I put in three days at this point, (returning on 7th), but was not sufficiently recovered from my illness to make the house-to-house canvass I desired, and had to be content with speaking to those I met accidentally. From there I received little encouragement, further, the young men I was desirous of meeting were mostly away in one



or other of the cities, so I decided to postpone further action for a more convenient season. I paid another visit to this spot on January 28th, 1896, and received considerably more encouragement than on my former trip, and I feel sanguine that with good weather and an energetic canvasser a Lodge can be started during the present year.

*Cloverdale.*

I visited this Lodge on January 28th, 1896, with the intention of installing their officers elect, but found that the meetings were held in afternoon at 2 o'clock instead of the evening as I had presumed; however, I arrived in time for "Good of the Order" and tho' of course too late for the Installation ceremony, I was enabled to give them a short talk on the Order and to exemplify the secret work. The afternoon was well on ere the meeting closed so that I had little time for canvassing, however, with the assistance of "pointers" from Bro. McElman, I canvassed two gentlemen, whom I hope to see in the Order when next I visit this district.

Before leaving this Lodge, I wish to say, that the members of Cloverdale Lodge, No. 14, are deserving of the greatest praise for keeping together under such great difficulties. They have been burnt out twice since organization and their Recorder, Bro. McElman, informed me that they were (tho' meeting in his study) still paying monthly Lodge dues so as to pay off liabilities incurred prior to and since the fires in question. This I think is a district which might be worked up, could a good canvasser be sent and if the present members of Cloverdale, No. 14, are a sample of the people in that district, there is no better material in the Province from which to increase our membership. In conclusion I must heartily thank the members of Cloverdale Lodge, Bro. McElman in particular, for the kind treatment accorded me during my necessarily short visit.

*Chilliwack.*

This district I have not visited, owing to certain complications between the Lodge and the Grand Lodge which needed looking into before I could possibly do any good. I had the pleasure of meeting Bro. Kipp on January 29th and made arrangements to do certain canvassing with him during the present week, but before I could carry out my arrangements, the matter was taken out of my hands by the Grand Master. I would just like to say in this connection that Bro. Kipp informed me that the trouble in connection with their account and the Grand Lodge was owing to certain moneys being paid for which no receipt had been obtained.

I now come to our own Lodge.

*Port Haney.*

Bro. Laity held the office of D. D. G. M. for this point up to September 25th, 1895, from which date I assumed the office. I am pleased to be able to say that our membership is steady and tho' we have had no increase in actual membership (one being suspended and one initiated) we look forward to increase in the near future. Our Lodge received a fraternal visit from several of the Grand Lodge Officers and Brethren from New Westminster and Vancouver, on January 11th, 1896, and I feel sure that the talks on the Order during that evening will be found to be productive of much good.

In closing this, my necessarily poor report, I wish to cordially thank the Grand Master, Grand Recorder and the Brethren with whom I have come in contact during my office, for the invariable kindness shewn to me.

Yours fraternally,  
In C. H. and P.,  
A. L. LAZENBY.

## Document 4.]

*To the Grand Lodge, Ancient Order of United Workmen of British Columbia:*

BRETHREN:—In compliance with the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, I herewith submit my first Report of the business and work of my office for the past eleven months.

In the Report of the Grand Recorder you may properly expect but a review of the business features of our Order.

Appended are the usual Exhibits and may be summarized as follows:—

Exhibits A and B give the Receipts and Disbursements of the Beneficiary Fund to the close of the Fiscal year, showing a balance on hand at that date of two thousand dollars.

Exhibit C shows the Receipts of the General Fund as per Lodges to the end of the Fiscal year, and in Exhibit D you will find the disbursements of said Fund to same date.

At the close of the last Grand Lodge Session the General Fund was overdrawn to the amount of \$677.31, with an outstanding claim from the Jurisdiction of Washington of \$71.41. This claim was not presented to the Grand Lodge at its last session, although in possession of its

officers for some time previously. Thus making an overdraft proper of \$748.72, which amount was reduced to \$325.59 at the close of the Fiscal year.

Exhibit E is a statement of the Relief Fund account, showing a balance on hand December 31st of \$532.75, and at the end of February, of the present year a balance of \$303.75.

Exhibit F gives the Receipts of the General Fund, as per Lodges, for January and February, 1896, and Exhibit G is a statement of the Disbursements of said Fund for the same period, showing a balance on hand at the end of last month of \$455.62.

Exhibit H is the Receipts and Disbursements of the Beneficiary Fund for January and February of the present year, leaving a balance at the end of February of \$2,173.00.

Exhibit I gives the list of supplies for Subordinate Lodges in stock at the close of the Fiscal year, amounting to \$174.90.

Exhibit J contains a list of contributions to the Nebraska Relief Fund, aggregating \$41.00.

Exhibit K. Statement of Membership. Since the first of April there have been admitted 54 members by initiation and one by card from another Jurisdiction, 127 members have been reinstated; and during the same period there have been 164 suspensions, one withdrawal from the Order, and 8 deaths, which, according to the latest Reports, leaves 656 members in good standing. Seven Lodges show a net gain in membership, while seven show a net loss.

The increase in Membership during the last eleven months will not perhaps reach the anticipations of many, nor yet come up to what we all desired; yet, in the face of events, there is no reason for discouragement.

The Financial depression has prevented many from joining the Order, and unquestionably has been the cause of many suspensions.

I would draw the attention of the Grand Lodge to the amendment to General Law 10, passed by the Supreme Lodge at its last session, giving Grand Lodges power to authorize Subordinate Lodges under their Jurisdiction to provide for a Relief Fund, for the purpose of assisting worthy members in paying their assessments.

#### DELAYED CLAIMS.

Considerable delay was caused in the payment of the Adams' claim. Bro. Adams was on board the steamer Velos when wrecked on Trial Island, March the 22nd, 1895. In a statement of the disaster published in the papers appeared the following: "The dead are Frederick

Adams, age 55 ; married, etc., etc." Had this statement proved correct, Bro. Adams would have been beyond the age limit when he joined the Order. The above, coupled with the fact that the regular proof of death could not be produced, his body not being found, made a thorough investigation imperative. After collecting all possible information, the papers bearing upon the case were placed before the Committee on Finance, who finally approved the claim; and on the 21st of November a warrant was issued for its payment.

On April the 7th the Consolidation of Beaver and Fraser Lodges was consummated, retaining the name of Fraser, and number of Beaver, now known as Fraser Lodge, No. 3. In January Brunette Lodge voluntarily surrendered its Charter for the purpose of also uniting with Fraser Lodge.

The Per Capita Tax of three dollars per annum bears heavily upon Subordinate Lodges. By the exercise of proper economy that burden may safely be reduced.

During the past year my business relations with the officers of the Grand and Subordinate Lodges have been of a very pleasant character, and I take this opportunity of conveying to them my thanks for the univereal countesy extended.

I also wish to record my appreciation of the zeal and ability displayed by the Committee on Finance in the discharge of their duties during the past year.

Fraternally submitted in C. H. & P.,

J. T. McILMOYL,

*Grand Recorder.*



**Exhibit B, Beneficiary Fund.—Warrants drawn on Beneficiary Fund, 1895**

No. death.	No. Ben. Certificate.	Date of Payment.	Warrant No.	To Whom Paid.	Relationship.	Dollars.
18	387	May 29, 1895.	34	Mary McKinnon.	Wife.	2000 00
19	434	July 15, 1895.	35	Kate Cohen.	Wife.	2000 00
20	398	Sept. 18, 1895.	36	Lucy E. Rowbotham.	Wife.	2000 00
21	1315	Oct. 8, 1895.	37	Bank of B. C., Vancouver.	Per order of Court.	2000 00
22	960	Oct. 31, 1895.	38	Ada S. Foster.	Wife.	2000 00
23	480	Nov. 21, 1895.	39	Sarah Adams.	Wife.	2000 00

## Summary Beneficiary Fund 1895.

1895	To balance on hand.....	\$ 2,626 00	
April	“ receipts as per exhibit A. ....	11,374 00	
	By disbursements per exhibit A.....		\$12,000 00
	“ balance.....		2,000 00
		\$14,000 00	\$14,000 00

## Exhibit C.

Amount received from Lodges on account of General Fund, for year ending December 31, 1895.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Per Capita.	Supplies	Total.
1	Victoria.....	\$ 244 50	\$ 77 21	\$ 321 71
2	Granville.....	63 00		63 00
3	Fraser.....	106 50	50	107 00
4	Nanaimo.....	141 00	1 00	142 00
5	Vancouver.....	126 00	8 40	134 40
6	Sullivan.....	58 00	24 50	82 50
7	Western Star.....	40 50	11 02	51 52
9	Brunette.....	16 50	1 00	17 50
10	Chilliwack Valley.....			
11	Perserverance.....	35 00	21 85	56 85
12	Delta.....	42 00	3 00	45 00
13	Leiser.....	36 00	2 00	38 00
14	Cloverdale.....	9 00	00	9 20
16	Vernon.....	25 50	2 25	27 75
17	Maple Leaf.....	34 50	6 85	41 35
18	Enderby.....			
19	Kelowna.....	13 50		13 50
	Hope Lodge, D. of H.....		2 75	2 75
	J. E. Church.....		1 85	1 85
		\$991 50	\$164 38	\$1155 88

## Exhibit D.

Warrants drawn on General Fund to December 31st, 1895.

Date of Issue	In favor of	No.	Account of	Am't.
May 6	A. Ammunds.	243	Washington claim.	\$71 41
28	J. T. McIlmoyl.	245	Exp. ch., stat'y and stamps.	8 45
"	F. N. Ham.	246	Letterheads and envelopes.	8 00
29	T. R. Cusack.	247	Printing application cards.	5 25
"	J. D. Warren.	248	Expense account.	38 45
June 6	F. N. Ham.	249	Assessment notices 1, 2, 3.	8 25
July 5	R. T. Williams.	250	Ex. chg, duty etc on supplies	16 60
"	Province Pub. Co.	251	Ptg. proceedings of Grand L.	62 65
"	F. N. Ham.	253	Assessment notices 4, 5, 6.	8 35
26	F. N. Ham.	254	Printing beneficiary blanks.	5 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl.	256	Salary April, May, June, July	200 00
31	F. L. Budlong.	257	Expense account.	16 70
Aug. 19	F. N. Ham.	258	Assessment notices 7, 8, 9.	9 00
"	M. & L. Young.	259	G. M. ex. visiting Victoria L.	12 60
29	F. N. Ham.	260	Ptg. amendm'ts to G. L. con.	4 00
31	F. N. Ham.	261	Assessment notices 10, 11, 12.	9 50
Sept. 2	J. T. McIlmoyl.	262	Salary for month of August.	50 00
"	F. N. Ham.	264	Ptg. & bdg. bene. rept. blanks	9 50
"	J. T. McIlmoyl.	265	Postage etc., & ex. to Agassiz	22 60
12	W. A. DeWolf Smith	266	Medical examinations.	14 00
Oct. 1	F. N. Ham.	267	Assessment notices 13, 14, 15.	9 50
"	J. T. McIlmoyl.	268	Salary for month of Sept.	50 00
30	F. N. Ham.	269	Assessment notices 16, 17, 18.	9 50
Nov. 4	J. T. McIlmoyl.	270	Salary for month of October	50 00
6	F. L. Budlong.	271	Expense account.	5 15
9	John J. Acker.	272	Supplies from Supreme L.	32 20
16	T. R. Cusack.	273	Supreme L. mo. rep't blanks	8 00
Dec. 9	F. N. Ham.	274	Relief call notices.	9 50
"	J. T. McIlmoyl.	27	Salary for month of Nov.	50 00
				804 16

## Summary General Fund Account 1895.

April 1	By amount overdrawn.....		\$ 677 31
	" warrants drawn on General Fund...		804 16
	To receipts as per exhibit C.....	\$ 1155 88	
	" amount overdrawn Dec. 26, 1895....	325 59	
			\$ 1481 47
			\$ 1481 47



## Exhibit E.

Relief Fund Account to December 31st, 1895.

April 1	To balance .....	\$ 415 25	
	“ receipts .....	156 00	
	By warrant 244 .....		\$ 38 50
Dec. 31	“ balance .....		532 75
		\$ 571 25	\$ 571 25
	To balance .....	\$ 532 75	

Relief Fund Account for January and February, 1896.

Jan. 1	To balance .....	\$ 532 75	
	“ receipts .....	448 00	
	By warrant 285 .....		\$ 672 00
	“ balance .....		308 75
		\$ 980 75	\$ 980 75
Feb. 29	To balance .....	\$ 308 75	

## Exhibit F.

Receipts General Fund, January and February, 1896.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Per Capita.	Supplies	Total.
1	Victoria .....	\$222 00		\$ 222 00
2	Granville .....	61 50	\$ 14 99	76 49
3	Fraser .....	117 00	19 27	136 27
4	Nanaimo .....	136 50		136 50
5	Vancouver .....	126 00		126 00
6	Sullivan .....	55 50		55 50
7	Western Star .....	46 50		46 50
9	Brunette .....	6 00		6 00
10	Chilliwack Valley .....			
11	Perseverance .....	42 00		42 00
12	Delta .....		50	50
13	Leiser .....	21 00		21 00
14	Cloverdale .....	9 00	10 00	19 00
16	Vernon .....	25 50		25 50
17	Maple Leaf .....	36 00		36 00
18	Enderby .....	43 50	13 68	57 18
19	Kelowna .....			
	Triumph Lodge, D. of H. ....		1 50	1 50
	J. S. Lawrence .....	5 00		5 00
		\$953 00	\$ 59 94	\$ 1012 94

**Exhibit G.**

Warrants drawn on General Funds, January and February, 1896.

Date of Issue	In favor of	No.	Account of	Am't.
Jan. 2	T. R. Cusack	276	Semi-annual reports.	\$10 00
	J. T. McIlmoyl.	277	Postage, freight, duty, etc.	32 70
9	F. N. Ham.	278	Assessment notices 1, 2, 3.	9 50
	J. T. McIlmoyl.	279	Salary for December.	50 00
17	F. L. Budlong.	280	Expense account.	15 90
	F. N. Ham.	281	Letterheads and envelopes.	5 50
28	W.A.DeWolf Smith	282	Postage.	6 37
30	J. J. Acker.	283	Per cap to Supreme Lodge.	51 76
Feb. 3	J. T. McIlmoyl.	284	Salary for January.	50 00
				231 73

**Summary General Fund Account, February 21, 1896.**

1896			
Jan. 1	By amount overdrawn.....		\$ 325 59
	" warrants 276 to 284 inclu-ive.....		231 73
	To receipts as per exhibit.....	\$1012 94	
Feb. 26	By balance.....		455 62
		\$1012 94	\$ 1012 94
To balance.....		\$445 62	

**Average Age Exhibit—For the Year 1895.**

Average age of membership for the last fiscal year, 1894 .....	40 3-12
Average age of members admitted during the present year....	35
Average age of members suspended from the order and with- drawn during the present year.....	39
Average age of members who have died during the present year	54 6-12
Average age of membership for the present fiscal year 1895 .....	39 5-12

### Exhibit H, Beneficiary Fund, 1896.

Received during January and February.

No.	Lodge.	January.	February	Total.
1	Victoria .....	\$ 179 00	\$ 311 00	\$ 490 00
2	Granville .....		219 00	219 00
3	Fraser .....	3 00	198 00	201 00
4	Nanaimo .....		264 00	264 00
5	Vancouver .....	89 00	172 00	261 00
6	Sullivan .....	114 00	108 00	222 00
7	Western Star .....		84 00	84 00
10	Chilliwack Valley .....	33 00		33 00
11	Perseverance .....		69 00	69 00
12	Delta .....	21 00		21 00
13	Leiser .....		42 00	42 00
14	Cloverdale .....	18 00	18 00	36 00
16	Vernon .....		48 00	48 00
17	Maple Leaf .....	12 00	66 00	78 00
18	Enderby .....	33 00	33 00	66 00
19	Kelowna .....		24 00	24 00
	J. S. Lawrence .....		3 00	3 00
	W. A. DeWolf Smith .....		3 00	3 00
	J. K. Armstrong .....		3 00	3 00
	A. Coult's .....		3 00	3 00
	Geo. McKenzie .....		3 00	3 00
		\$ 502 00	\$ 1671 00	\$ 2173 00

### Statement of Beneficiary Fund.—February 29th, 1896.

Jan. 1	To balance .....	\$ 2000 00	
	“ receipts, Jan. and Feb. ....	2173 00	
	By warrant No. 40, to Ellen Elliott....		\$ 666 68
	“ “ 41, Wm. H. Elliott....		666 66
	“ “ 42, Mary Elliott....		666 66
Feb. 29	“ balance .....		2173 00
		\$ 4173 00	\$ 4173 00

## Exhibit I.

List of Supplies for Subordinate Lodges in Stocks, December 31st, 1895.

2 Charters.....	\$ 10 00	
60 Grand Lodge Constitutions.....	6 00	
77 Ode Cards.....	1 54	
850 Beneficiary Certificates.....		
18 " " Registers.....	18 00	
16 Books of Monthly Report Blanks.....	12 00	
22 Receiver's Receipt Books.....	11 00	
12 " Account ".....	12 00	
13 Roll Books.....	13 00	
6 Financier's Assessment Books.....	9 00	
13 " Receipt ".....	6 50	
12 Warrant Books.....	4 80	
5 Digests.....	8 75	
20 Rituals.....	20 00	
18 Books of Travelling Cards.....	4 50	
500 Medical Examination Blanks.....	10 00	
59 Final Cards.....	5 90	
5 Clearance Cards.....	1 00	
60 Applications for Final Cards.....	1 20	
16 Officer's Bond Blanks.....	32	
23 Death Reports.....	2 30	
1 Book of Reinstatement Certificates.....	50	
1 Order Book for Semi-annual Pass Word...	25	
2 Lodge Emblems.....	6 00	
67 Past Master's Certificates.....	1 34	
150 Semi-annual Report Blanks.....	3 00	
6 Member's Badges.....	6 00	
		\$ 174 90

## Exhibit J.—Nebraska Relief Fund, 1895.

Mar. 30	Western Star Lodge, No. 7.....	\$ 2 50
April 16	Victoria " " 1.....	19 00
17	Vancouver " " 5.....	8 00
22	Sullivan " " 6.....	10 50
May 4	Nanaimo " " 4.....	10 00
		\$ 41 00

## Exhibit K.—Membership.

No. of Lodge	Name of Lodge.	New Members	Reinstated	By Card	Total Gain	Suspended	Withdrawn	Deaths	Total Loss	Membership	Net Gain	Net Loss
1	Victoria .....	11	74		85	76			76	166	9	
2	Granville .....		14		14	17		1	18	38		4
3	Fraser .....	9	11		20	17	1	1	19	69	1	
4	Nanaimo .....	1	4		5	7		2	9	88		4
5	Vancouver .....	5	9		14	11		3	14	87		
6	Sullivan .....	1	6		7	8		1	9	36		2
7	Western Star .....	8			8	1			1	28	7	
9	Brunette .....	1			1	4			4	4		
10	Chilliwack Valley .....					3			3	5		3
11	Perseverance .....	14	4		18	5	1		6	30	12	
12	Delta .....	1	1	1	3	2			2	27	1	
13	Leiser .....	1		1	2					14	2	
14	Cloverdale .....									6		
16	Vernon .....	1			1	1			1	16		
17	Maple Leaf .....	1	4		5	4			4	22	1	
18	Enderby .....					7			7	11		7
19	Kelowna .....					1			1	8		1
	Grand Lodge .....									1		
		54	127	2	183	164	2	8	174	656	33	24

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## GRAND RECEIVER'S REPORT.

OFFICE OF GRAND RECEIVER, A. O. U. W.,

VICTORIA, B. C., March 10th, 1896.

*To the Grand Master Workman, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia:*

BRETHREN:—I hereby submit the report of your Receiver to the end of the financial year, 31st December last, in accordance with Article 7, Section 8, page 14, G. L. Constitution. I also have the honor of submitting a report to the 10th of March, 1896, showing receipts and expenditures of General, Beneficiary and Relief Funds for the same period. Each fund is shown by months as they appear in the Cash Book.

From a financial standpoint, considering the depressed period, we are in a healthy condition. We can safely congratulate ourselves on the position we occupy in this Province, and that there is a bright future before us if we work energetically for the united good of the Order.

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Mar.	13	Balance brought down..		\$ 351 89	\$2615 00
"	"	Paid Warrant 239-40....		57 77	
"	"	" " 241.....		333 95	
"	"	" " 242.....		81 50	
April	12	Rec'd G. Recorder.....	\$ 147 30		8 00
"	20	" " 160...	6 70		
May	8	" " 162...	1 00		
"	22	" " 163..	24 00		
"	28	Paid Warrant 243.....		71 41	
April	24	Rec'd G. Recorder 161..			3 00
		Balance forward.....	\$ 179 00	\$ 896 02	\$2626 00
			717 02		\$2626 00
			\$ 896 02	\$ 896 02	\$2626 00
				\$2626 00	\$2626 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Bal. brought forward....		\$ 717 02	\$2626 00	
June	10 Rec'd G. Recorder 164	\$ 6 00		228 00	
"	" " Paid Warrant 248.....		38 45		
"	" " " " 247.....		5 25		
"	" " " " 245.....		8 45		
"	" " " " 246.....		8 00		
"	" 13 " " 34.....				
"	" " Mrs. McKinnon .....				2000 00
"	" " Paid Warrant 249.....		8 25		
"	17 Rec'd G. Recorder 165..	2 05		84 00	
April	25 " " " 161..			3 00	
"	29 " " " 166..	4 70		55 00	
		\$ 12 75	\$ 785 42	\$2996 00	\$2000 00
	Balance forward.....	772 67			996 00
		\$ 785 42	\$ 785 42	\$2996 00	\$2996 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Bal. brought forward...		\$ 772 67	\$ 996 00	
July	10 Rec'd G. Recorder 167..	\$ 9 00		114 00	
"	22 " " " 168..	391 15		1368 00	
"	" " Paid Warrant Cohen.....				\$2000 00
"	25 Rec'd G. Recorder 169..	126 00		395 00	
"	31 Paid Warrant 250.....		16 60		
"	" " " " 253.....		8 35		
"	" " " " 254.....		5 00		
		\$ 526 15	\$ 802 62	\$2873 00	\$2000 00
	Balance forward.....	276 47			873 00
		\$ 802 62	\$ 802 62	\$2873 00	\$2873 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance brought forward		\$ 276 47	\$ 873 00	
Aug. 9	Paid Warrant Budlong 257 (not back).....		16 70		
" 10	Paid Warrant 251.....		62 65		
" 13	" " 256.....		200 00		
" "	Rec'd G. Recorder 170..	\$ 220 50		624 00	
" 17	" " 171..			560 00	
" 21	" " 172..	141 00		474 00	
" "	" " 173..	58 00			
" 26	" " 174..	50		269 00	
		\$ 420 00	\$ 555 82	\$2800 00	
	Balance forward.....	135 82			\$ 2800 00
		\$ 555 82	\$ 555 82	\$2800 00	\$ 2800 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance brought forward		\$ 135 82	\$2800 00	
Sept. 3	Paid Warrant 259.....		12 60		
" 4	" " 258.....		9 00		
" 9	" " 262.....		50 00		
" 9	Rec'd G. Recorder, per receipt 175.....	\$ 2 50		18 00	
" 9	Paid Warrant 260.....		4 00		
" 9	" " 261.....		9 50		
" 10	Rec'd G. Recorder 176..	12 50		237 00	
" 13	" " 177..	1 00		853 00	
" 22	Paid Warrant 264.....		9 50		
" 22	Rec'd G. Recorder 178..			634 00	
" 30	Paid Warrant 36, Rowbotham.....				\$2000 00
" 30	Rec'd G. Recorder 179..			195 00	
" 30	Paid Warrant 266.....		14 00		
		\$ 16 00	\$ 244 42	\$4737 00	\$2000 00
	Balance forward.....	228 42			2737 00
		\$ 244 42	\$ 244 42	\$4737 00	\$4737 00



1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
			\$ 228 42	\$2737 00	
Oct.	7	Balance brought forward	22 60		
"	7	Paid Warrant 265.....		345 00	
"	25	Rec'd from G. R. 180....	\$ 37 36	1510 00	
"	10	" " 181.....	10 50	93 00	
			\$ 47 86	\$4685 00	
		Balance forward .....	203 16		\$4685 00
			\$ 251 02	\$4685 00	\$4685 00
			\$ 251 02	\$4685 00	\$4685 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
			\$ 203 16	\$4685 00	
Nov.	14	Balance brought forward	9 50		
"	14	Paid Warrant 267.....	50 00		
"	14	" " 268.....	9 50		
"	15	Rec'd G. Recorder 182..	\$ 4 90	277 00	
"	19	" " ".....	5 25	1155 00	
"	25	" " 184....	42 00	396 00	
"	25	Paid Warrant 270.....		50 00	
"	25	" " 271.....		5 15	
"	29	" " 273.....	8 00	8 00	
"	29	" " 37.....			\$2000 00
			\$ 52 15	\$6513 00	\$2000 00
		Balance forward.....	283 16		4513 00
			\$ 335 31	\$6513 00	\$6512 00
			\$ 335 31	\$6513 00	\$6512 00

BENEFICIARY FUND.	
	Cr.
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00	\$4685 00
00	\$4685 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance brought forward		\$ 283 16	\$4513 00	
Dec.	5 Rec'd from G. R. 185...			182 00	
"	10 Paid Warrant 272.....	\$ 32 20	32 20		
"	17 " " 274.....		9 50		
"	17 " " ".....				\$2000 00
"	19 " " " 39.....				2000 00
"	19 " " " 275.....		50 00		
"	26 Rec'd from G. R. 186..	40 87		903 00	
"	31 " " " 187..	8 40		405 00	
		\$ 49 27	\$ 374 86	\$6003 00	\$4000 00
	Balance forward.....	325 59			2003 00
		\$ 374 86	\$ 374 86	\$6003 00	\$6003 00

BENEFICIARY FUND.	
	Cr.
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00	\$2000 00
00	\$2000 00
00	4513 00
00	\$6512 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance brought forward		\$ 325 59	\$2003 00	
Jan.	14 Rec'd from G. R. 188...	\$ 502 76		359 00	
"	20 " " " 189.....	240 50		54 00	
"	" Paid Warrant 277.....		32 70		
"	" " " 276.....		10 00		
"	" " " 279.....		50 00		
"	" " " 278.....		9 50		
"	" " " 41.....				\$ 666 66
"	" " " 42.....				666 66
"	25 Rec'd from G. R. 190....	182 00		89 00	
"	27 Paid Warrant 280.....		15 90		
"	27 " " " 281.....		5 50		
		\$ 925 26	\$ 449 19	\$2505 00	\$1333 32
	Balance forward.....		476 07		1171 68
		\$ 925 26	\$ 925 26	\$2505 00	\$2505 00

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.		Cr. Dr.	Cr.
		Balance brought forward	\$ 476 07		\$1171 68
Feb.	6	Rec'd from G. R. 191.....	45 18		112 00
"	9	Paid Warrant 282. ....		\$ 6 37	
"	12	" " 283. ....		51 76	
"	14	" " 40 not pre- sen'd for payment pre- viously.....			\$ 666 68
"	16	Rec'd from G. R. 192....	21 50		981 00
"	"	Paid Warrant 284. ....		50 00	
"	21	Rec'd from G. R. 193....	21 00		467 00
"	25	April 25 and 24 ent'd by mistake twice 161.....			3 00
"	25	Rec'd from G. R. 194....			108 00
		Balance forward .....	\$ 563 75	\$ 168 13 455 62	\$2842 68 2173 00
			\$ 563 75	\$ 563 75	\$2842 68 \$2842 68

1895.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.		Cr. Dr.	Cr.
Mar.	7	Balance brought forward	\$ 455 62		\$ 2173 00
"	7	Paid Warrant 288.....		\$ 9 50	
"	10	" " 287.....		12 55	
			\$ 455 62	\$ 22 05	\$ 2173 00 \$2173 00

BENEFICIARY FUND.—1895-1896.

FUND.  
Cr.

666 68

3 00

669 68

173 00

342 68

FUND.  
Cr.

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		Dr.	Cr.
	Balance 1st March, 1895.....	\$ 108 25	
Mar. 13	Received from Grand Recorder.....	307 00	
April 25	" " " " 161.....	2 00	
May 17	Paid Warrant 244.....		\$ 38 50
June 10	Received from Grand Recorder 164..	4 00	
	1895		
Dec. 30	" " " " 186..	150 00	
	1896		
Jan. 14	" " " " 183..	150 00	
" 20	" " " " 189..	149 00	
" 25	" " " " 190..	77 00	
Feb. 6	" " " " 191..	49 00	
" 16	" " " " 192..	22 00	
" 18	Draft to Sup. Receiver.....		672 00
" 21	Received from Grand Recorder 193..	100 00	
	Balance forward.....		308 75
		<u>\$ 1867 00</u>	<u>\$ 1867 00</u>

GRAND LODGE PAY SHEET, A.O.U.W., 1896.

Payments made, and list of Representatives attending Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., held at Victoria, B. C., in A.O.U.W. Building, Yates Street, March 11th and 12th, 1896.

No.	NAME.	No. OF LODGE.	NAME OF LODGE.	OFFICE.	SIGNATURE.	AMOUNT PAID
1	Bro. J. D. Warren	1	Victoria	P. G. M. W.	J. D. Warren	\$ 4 00
2	" F. L. Budlong	11	Perseverance	G. M. W.	F. L. Budlong	10 50
3	" J. E. Church	1	Victoria	G. F.	J. E. Church	6 00
4	" A. E. Woods	3	Fraser	G. O.	A. E. Woods	12 25
5	" J. T. McInoyl	5	Vancouver	G. Recorder	J. T. McInoyl	6 00
6	" R. T. Williams	1	Victoria	G. R.	R. T. Williams	6 00
7	" Dr. DeWolf Smith	3	Fraser	G. M. L.	W. A. DeWolf Smith	12 25
8	" C. S. Corrigan	3	"	G. G.	C. S. Corrigan	12 25
9	" J. H. Breen	14	Cloverdale	G. I. W.	J. I. Breen	13 25
10	" J. I. Trahey	7	West Star	G. O. W.	J. H. Trahey	4 80
11	" H. Kipp	10	Chilliwick	G. Trustee	H. Kipp	13 75
12	" H. Hoy	3	Fraser, No. 3	Sup. Rep.	H. Hoy	12 25
13	" E. J. Salmon	7	West Star	Financier.	E. J. Salmon	6 00
14	" J. E. Phillips	6	Sullivan	"	J. E. Phillips	6 00
15	" G. Leiser	1	Victoria	Committee	Gus. Leiser	6 00
16	" A. M. Bullock	2	Granville	on	A. M. Bullock	13 25
17	" E. C. Webber	17	Maple Leaf	Laws.	D. C. Webber	22 90
	Representatives.			Representatives.		
18	" Adams, Geo.	3	Fraser	"	Geo. Adams	12 25
19	" Bowell, S.	18	Enderby	"	S. Bowell	51 80
20	" Davey, F.	1	Victoria	"	Fred'k Davey	4 00
21	" Edwards, H. E.	5	Vancouver	"	H. C. Edmunds	4 00
22	" Gibson, R.	4	Nanaimo	"		
23	" Halliday, E.	13	Leiser	"		
24	" Jackson, W.	5	Vancouver	"	E. A. Halliday	19 40

GRAND LODGE PAY SHEET, A.O.U.W., 1896. — *Continued.*

Payments made, and list of Representatives attending Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., held at Victoria, B. C., in A.O.U.W. Building, Yates Street, March 11th and 12th, 1896.

No.	NAME.	No. OF LODGE	NAME OF LODGE.	OFFICE.	SIGNATURE.	AMOUNT PAID
25	Kerr, W.....	12	Delta.....	"	T. W. Kerr.....	9 00
26	Langis, H. E.....	2	Granyile.....	"	H. E. Langis.....	\$ 10 50
27	Lazenby, A. L.....	17	Maple Leaf.....	"	A. L. Lazenby.....	13 10
28	Mansell, H.....	1	Victoria.....	"		
29	Parke, H. R.....	16	Vernon.....	"	H. R. Parke.....	54 10
30	Russel, C. F.....	1	Victoria.....	"		
31	Stewart, A.....	6	Sullivan.....	"	A. Stewart.....	4 00
32	Yates, C. F.....	11	Perseverance.....	"	C. F. Yates.....	10 50
33	Bates, Mark.....	4	Nanaimo.....	"	M. Bates.....	8 50
34	Jewell, H.....	1	Victoria.....	"		
						\$ 367 80

PAID BY SUB-LODGE.

Bro. R. Gibson; Bro. W. Jackson; Bro. H. Mansell; Bro. O. F. Russell; Bro. H. Jewell.

Three hundred and sixty-seven dollars and eighty cents agreed to payment.

E. J. SALMON,  
 JOS. E. PHILLIPS, }  
 J. E. CHURCH, }  
*Committee on Finance.*

## GRAND MEDICAL EXAMINER'S REPORT.

NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C., March 2nd, 1896.

Document No. 6.]

*To the Grand Master, Officers and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia.*

BRETHREN:—I have the honor to submit herewith my report as Grand Medical Examiner for the year ending 31st December, 1895.

The number of applications for membership shows, I am happy to say, some increase over last year, but is still far below the figures for 1892 and 1893.

The rejections during the year numbered eight. The causes of these rejections are shown in detail in Table A; and Table B shows the causes of all rejections for the past four years.

Table C shows the causes of deaths during the year, together with the age of the Brother and the length of time he was in the Order. The same particulars for the past four years are shown in Table D.

The number of applicants and their ages for the past four years are shown in Table E.

In addition to the Tables usually accompanying my Report I have this year added two, Tables F and G. Table F shows the different ages at which death has occurred; the number of deaths at each age, and the average duration of membership for the deaths at each age. Table G shows the number of deaths from each disease; the average age, and the average duration of membership of those dying from these diseases.

In both these Tables the numbers are too small to enable many practical lessons to be drawn, but Table G shows amongst other things a laxity in the way of recording deaths. For instance, "Accident," "Cancer," and "Heart Disease," are given as causes of deaths. These should be given more in detail, i. e., the nature of the accident; the nature and location of the cancer; and the particular variety of cardiac lesion should all be specified. It will be noticed with surprise (at least it was a surprise to me) that diseases of the brain and its appendages are responsible for over 25 per cent. of the deaths of this jurisdiction, whilst diseases of the lungs, which usually occupy a prominent place in death reports, account for only 12½ per cent. This, I think, is a testimony to the efficiency to our Medical Examiners, for, if our Examiners were not careful to exclude all doubtful cases, the death rate from lung troubles, which are often insidious in their approach, would undoubtedly be much higher than it is.

A suggestion has been made to me by several of our Medical Examiners, and I think it so good that I have brought the matter to the attention of the Supreme Lodge Committee on Uniform Blanks, and now wish to lay it before this Grand Lodge. It is that the Medical Examination be on a separate piece of paper from the application form. The advantage of this will, I think, be obvious, for it can hardly be denied that a man is more likely to be open with the Examiner as to his history (family and personal), if he knew that the matter is going no farther than the Examiner and the Grand Medical Examiner, than if he believes that the paper is public property, to be read and talked about by every member of the Lodge.

In support of this view I quote from a letter lately received from Bro. J. E. Burt, who is Grand Recorder of the Jurisdiction of Massachusetts, as well as Chairman of the Committee on Uniform Blanks of the Supreme Lodge. He says:

"I am in full sympathy with your statement regarding the difficulty of always obtaining just the information the Order ought to have where the medical blank is to be made out properly; in this Jurisdiction the Medical Blank is only seen by the Medical Examiner and the Grand Medical Examiner, the Subordinate Lodge never knowing what its contents are. This blank has been in use in this Jurisdiction a little over three years, and has given most excellent satisfaction."

"The Beneficiary Application is a separate document, as is also the Application for Membership and the report of the Committee of Investigation. A duplicate of the latter is forwarded to this office to be filed away with the original papers. You would be quite surprised if you could know the history of this office in this direction since the adoption of this blank. We believe that we have found cases of substitution, and we have found quite a large number of persons who have given one age to the doctor when being examined and another one when filling out the Beneficiary Application, and in quite a number of cases the second one made the party over age and ineligible for membership, which fact would never have been discovered by having one document. He was padded to make a proper statement when he went to the Medical Examiner, and then when initiated forgot his instructions and gave the exact facts of the case."

Bro. Burt was also good enough to send me copies of the Medical Examination and Beneficiary Application Forms in use in his jurisdiction, and I attach them to this report for the information of this Grand Lodge.

As I mentioned in my Annual Report for 1894, I consider the fee paid for Medical Examinations in this Jurisdiction too small. There is



as much, or more, work in our examination as in any Life Insurance company's examination, while the fee is only half what is allowed by the better companies.

In bringing this report to a close, I have to thank you, Brethren, for the confidence you have placed in me, and hope that my poor efforts to promote the efficiency of the office of Grand Medical Examiner have not been without effect.

I have to thank the different Officers of the Grand Lodge, with whom I have had to transact business, for much kindness and assistance in the discharge of my duties, and remain, in C. H. & P.,

W. A. DEWOLF SMITH,  
*Grand Medical Examiner.*

**Table A.**

Causes of Rejections during the year 1895.

Bad family history.....	1
Hæmoptysis.....	1
Heart Disease.....	2
Phthical history (family or personal).....	3
Overweight, and bad family history.....	1
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**Table B.**

Showing the causes of Rejections during the years 1892, 1893, 1894, and 1895.

	1892	1893	1894	1895	Total.
Asthma.....	1	1			2
Bad family history.....				1	1
Bad physical condition.....		2	1		3
Consumptive history, (family or personal)....	7	6		3	16
Discharge from ears, and dizziness.....	1				1
Hæmoptysis.....	1			1	2
Heart disease.....	3	1		2	6
Intemperance.....		1	1		2
Kidney disease.....		1	1		2
Non-vaccination.....		1			1
Over age.....		1			1
Over weight.....	2			1	3
Rheumatic history and heart disease.....		1			1
Scrofula and history of insanity.....	1				1
Syphilis.....		1			1
Not recorded.....	2				2
	18	16	3	8	45

Table C.

Showing the names of those who have died during the year, together with the Lodges to which they belonged; also the dates of deaths, ages, causes of death, and length of time in the Order.

No.	Name.	Lodge and Number.	Date.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Time in Order. Year. Month.
1	Adams, F.....	Sullivan..... No. 6	1895.. March 22.	51	Drowned.....	3 1
2	McKinnon, A.....	Vancouver..... " 5	" " May 11.	58	Pneumonia.....	12 11
3	Van Bramer, J.....	Granville..... " 2	" " June 6.	64	Senile Marasmus.....	14 11
4	Cohen, Jas. A.....	Vancouver..... " 5	" " " 18.	47	Cerebral Meningitis.....	3 6
5	Rowbotham, A. J.....	Vancouver..... " 5	" " August 1.	43	Suicide.....	12 11
6	Foster, S.....	Nanaimo..... " 4	" " Sept. 1.	57	Cancer.....	7 8

Average age of Deaths.....53 years 4 months.

" Duration of membership..... 9 " 2 "

Table D.

Showing the Names of those who have Died since the formation of this Grand Lodge, together with the Lodges to which they belonged; also the Dates of Death, Ages, Causes of Death, and length of time in the Order.

No.	Name.	Lodge and Number.	Date.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Time in Order.	
						Year.	Month.
1	Lewis, J. B.	Nanaimo No. 4	1892.. May 18.	51	Apoplexy	3	6
2	Smitn, J.	Vancouver	" " Sept. 1.	53	Bright's Disease	10	3
3	Garnet, E.	Victoria	" " Oct. 5.	36	Pneumonia	11	6
4	Elford, W.	Sullivan	" " " 5.	44	Suicide	10	7
5	Laidlaw, J. A.	Beaver	1898.. Jan. 20.	53	Inflammation of Bowels	13	4
6	Becker, K. J. F.	Victoria	" " March 13.	52	Heart Disease	2	7
7	Dunn, R.	Nanaimo	" " April 14.	43	Softening of Brain	1	3
8	Kirk, A.	Western Star	" " June 2.	41	Suicide	1	1
9	Woodward, J.	Delta	" " July 28.	39	Apoplexy	1	1
10	Steele, W.	Victoria	" " Sept. 1.	54	Cancer	14	4
11	Vermouth, J.	Sullivan	" " Oct. 7.	39	Bronchitis	1	4
12	Kuhns, C. B.	Kelowna	" " Dec. 22.	37	Accident	1	4
13	Taylor, W.	Granville	1894.. Jan. 9.	34	Abscess of Brain	1	5
14	McDonald, D. G.	Western Star	" " " 14.	41	Rupture of Aorta	1	11
15	Marwood, F.	Enderby	" " Feb. 14.	34	Tubercular Meningitis	11	9
16	Craig, R.	Nanaimo	" " May 17.	47	Obstruction of Bowels	3	6
17	Bland, A.	Western Star	" " July 31.	34	Drowned	1	9
18	Adams, F.	Sullivan	1895.. March 22.	51	Pneumonia	12	11
19	McKinnon, A.	Vancouver	" " May 11.	58	Senile Marasmus	14	11
20	Van Bramer, J.	Granville	" " June 6.	64	Cerebral Meningitis	3	6
21	Cohen, J. A.	Vancouver	" " " 18.	47	Suicide	12	11
22	Rowbotham, A. J.	Vancouver	" " August 1.	43	Cancer	7	9
23	Foster, S.	Nanaimo	" " Sept. 1.	57			

Average age of Deaths.....46 years 2 months. Average duration of membership.....6 years 2 months.

**Table E.**

Showing for the years 1892, 1893, 1894 and 1895 the number of applicants; the number of applicants accepted; and the number of applicants rejected. Also the average age of all applicants, and the average ages of accepted and rejected applicants.

Year.	Number of Applicants.	Number of Applicants Accepted.	Number of Applicants Rejected.	Average Age of all Applicants.	Average Age of Accepted Applicants.	Average Age of Rejected Applicants.
1892	226	248	18	35.88	35.65	39.
1893	132	116	16	35.08	35.92	35.50
1894	38	35	3	36.78	35.91	47.
1895	64	56	8	35.62	35.62	35.62
	500	455	45	35.84	35.55	39.28

Table F.

Table showing the Average Duration of Membership of Deaths occurring at Different Ages.

Age of Death.	No. of Deaths at age	Average Duration of Membership.		
		Years.	Months.	Days.
34	3	1	3	20
36	1	11	3	
37	1		4	
39	2	1	2	15
41	2	1	7	
43	2	7	9	
44	1		6	
47	2	7	6	
51	2	3	3	15
52	1	13	4	
53	2	10	3	15
54	1	14	1	
57	1	7	9	
58	1	12	11	
64	1	14	1	

Table G.

Table showing the Average Age, and the Average Duration of Membership, according to the Cause of Death.

Cause of Death.	No.	Average Age.		Average Duration of Membership.		
		Yrs.	Mos.	Yrs.	Mos.	Days.
Abscess of Brain.....	1	34		1	5	
Accident.....	1	37			4	
Apoplexy.....	2	45		2	3	15
Bright's Disease.....	1	53		10		
Bronchitis.....	1	39		1	4	
Cancer.....	2	55	6	10	11	
Cerebral Meningitis.....	1	47		3	6	
Drowning.....	2	42	6	2	5	
Heart Disease.....	1	52		13	4	
Inflammation of Bowels.....	1	53		10	7	
Obstruction of Bowels.....	1	47		11	6	
Pneumonia.....	2	47		11	11	
Rupture of Aorta.....	1	41		1	11	
Senile Marasmus.....	1	64		14	11	
Softening of Brain.....	1	43		2	7	
Suicide.....	3	42	8	4	10	20
Tubercular Meningitis.....	1	34			5	

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Document No. 7.]

*To the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., British Columbia.:*

BRETIRES:—We herewith submit our Report for the term ending this Grand Lodge Session.

At the close of the Grand Lodge Meeting ending March 14th, 1896, the balance in the different funds were as follows:

Beneficiary Fund. .... On hand.....	\$2626 00
General Fund..... Overdrawn.....	677 31
Relief Call..... On hand.....	415 25

(The above overdraft in the General Fund Account did not include the Expense Account of J. D. Warren, P. G. M. W., of \$38.45, nor the Washington Claim of \$71.41.)

April 12th, 1895, Bro. H. Youdall, Grand Recorder, forwarded to the Grand Receiver a statement of amount due the Grand Lodge, sending cheque for \$73.80 and Warrant on that officer for \$81.50, making a total of \$147.30. None of the bills had been approved by your Committee or sent to the Grand Master for his signature, nor had the seal been attached; also, in some cases, the receipted bills were wanting. The Warrants were returned by the Committee on Finance with the request that the Seal be placed on the same and receipted bills be forwarded for amounts paid out as per statement. The Warrants were returned by Bro. Youdall in the same condition as they were sent down the first time.

We were compelled to disallow the following:

Feb'y 28.—Dr. DeWolf Smith \$9.00, overpaid.....	\$ 4 50
April 6.—Cabinet .....	10 25
March 6.—Turnbull, for auditing G. L. Brooks?.....	10 00
“ 14.—Fare to New Westminster for Emblem Plate.....	1 00
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Your Committee have applied direct to Bro. Youdall, and have made application to our G. M. and G. R., individually, also have requested the Grand Master, through the channel of the Grand Recorder, to endeavor to obtain some satisfactory reply from Bro. Youdall. But in no instance has the Brother made any reply; the amount is, therefore, still due.

During the past year your Committee have met on the 25th day of each month as required by law, also on every Saturday, to attend to any business that might be brought before them. All printing has

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been done on the lowest tender, and no bill has been paid without the approval of your Committee.

The condition of each of the different funds on the 25th of each month were as follows:

1895				
May	25	Beneficiary Fund,	on hand	\$2626 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	378 75
		.. General	overdrawn	717 00
June	25	Beneficiary	on hand	938 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	382 75
		.. General	overdrawn	777 37
July	25	Beneficiary	on hand	870 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	382 75
		.. General	overdrawn	342 12
Aug.	26	Beneficiary	on hand	2797 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	382 75
		.. General	overdrawn	165 92
Sept.	25	Beneficiary	on hand	2539 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	382 75
		.. General	overdrawn	251 02
Oct.	25	Beneficiary	on hand	2682 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	382 75
		.. General	overdrawn	258 26
Nov.	25	Beneficiary	on hand	510 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	382 75
		.. General	overdrawn	315 36
Dec.	25	Beneficiary	on hand	2000 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	582 75
		.. General	on hand	325 59
1896.				
Jany.	25	Beneficiary	on hand	502 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	908 75
		.. General	on hand	475 07
Febry.	25	Beneficiary	on hand	2173 00
		.. Relief Call	on hand	308 75
		.. General	on hand	455 62

During the year the following claims on the Beneficiary Fund have been passed on by your Committee, and recommended paid:

May 25, 1895.—Claim from Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, on the death of Alexander McKinnon was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments 1, 2, 3, for Claim No. 1, '95, be called for June 1, 1895.

June 25, 1895.—Claim from Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, on death of Jas. A. Cohen was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments

4, 5, 6, for Claim No. 2, be called for July 1st, 1895.

July 26, 1895.—Claim from Granville Lodge, No. 2, on death of James Van Bramer was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments 7, 8, 9, for Claim No. 3, be called for August 1st, 1895.

August 26, 1895.—Claim from Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, on death of A. J. Rowbotham was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments 10, 11, 12, for Claim No. 4, be called for September 1st, 1895.

September 21, 1895.—Claim from Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4, on death of Stephen Foster was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments 13, 14, 15, for Claim No. 5, be called for October 1st, 1895.

October 19, 1895.—Claim from Sullivan Lodge, No. 6, on death of Frederick Adams. This claim caused your Committee a great deal of trouble, both as to proof of death and from the report that Bro. Adams was over fifty years of age when he joined the Order.

Bro. Adams was drowned at the time of the wreck of the Velos, March 22, 1895, and the affidavits of the captain and mate were filed with your Committee, stating that he was on board just before the wreck, and that they believed him to have been drowned. This being the only proof obtainable, and it being a fact that no body was ever found when the wreck occurred, at the place where the Velos was wrecked, we were satisfied that he was actually drowned. As to age—we were shown the family bible, and were told by Mrs. Adams that the date of birth of F. Adams was taken from his father's family bible soon after Mr. and Mrs. Adams were married. The writing had the appearance of having been written a long time. At our request the Grand Recorder applied to the authorities at Adams' birthplace for a Certificate of Birth. They sent back in reply a Certificate of Baptism, stating that at the time of Adams' birth no Record of Births was kept. We therefore thought it best to submit all the papers to the Grand Master and to recommend that the claim be paid by Assessments 16, 17, 18, for Claim No. 6, to be called for November 1st 1896.

November 25, 1895.—We recommend that Relief Call No. 16, for \$1 be called for December 1st, 1896.

December 25, 1895.—Claim from Fraser Lodge, No. 3, on the death of Henry Elliott was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments 1, 2, 3, for Claim No. 1, '96, be called for January 2nd, 1896.

February 25, 1896.—Claim from Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4, on the death of Donald Smith was approved, and it was recommended that Assessments 4, 5, 6, for Claim No. 2, be called for March 1st, 1896.

We would recommend that the Grand Lodge require applicants for membership, when over 43 years of age, to file with application for

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benefits certificates, proof of age, said proof to be certificate of birth if possible.

We would also recommend that hereafter the Committee on Finance be authorized to arrange for printing proceedings of Grand Lodge prior to the session, and that all the reports be printed before the session, and thus be in the hands of the Grand Lodge at the time of opening. By this means proceedings of the Grand Lodge should be in the hands of the different Recorders of Subordinate Lodges within ten days from the close of the session.

We would particularly call the attention of the Subordinate Lodges to Rule No. 21, Beneficiary Laws. Some of the Lodges, we find, are very lax with this most important rule.

We would also recommend that the Grand Lodge make some law as to the paying of the P. C. tax, as some of the Subordinate Lodges are twelve months in arrears.

Estimate of Expenditure for ensuing year:—

Salary of Grand Recorder.....	\$ 600 00
P. C. Tax, Supreme Lodge.....	60 00
Printing and Stationary.....	125 00
Session of Grand Lodge.....	350 00
Miscellaneous.....	100 00
Total.....	<u>\$1235 00</u>

P. C. Tax placed at \$2 00 for 650 members, \$1300.00.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

In C. H. & P.,

EMANUEL J. SALMON,	} Finance Committee.
JOS. E. PHILLIPS,	
J. E. CHURCH,	

The Grand Lodge then took recess until 1:30 p.m.

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## AFTERNOON SESSION.

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The Grand Lodge was called to order at 1:30 p.m., Grand Master Workman Budlong presiding.

AMENDMENTS TO G. L. CONSTITUTION.

Document 8.]

Upon motion was referred to the Committee on Laws.

## Document 9.]

Whereas P. G. M. W. Bro. Gus. Leiser has tendered this Grand Lodge a prize banner, to be presented to the Subordinate Lodge which will initiate the largest number of members, to be not less than fifty, during the coming year ;

Therefore be it *Resolved*,—That this Grand Lodge accept this gift in trust, and tender a unanimous vote of thanks to Bro. Leiser for the same; and that the Grand Recorder be instructed to notify all Subordinate Lodges of this gift, and to state the conditions on which the banner shall be competed for ; and that a committee be appointed to draft a plan governing the competition, said committee to consist of G. Leiser, J. T. McIlmoyl, and H. Hoy.—Carried.

J. E. CHURCH,  
E. A. HALLIDAY,

## Document 10.]

*Resolved*,—That Bro. Gus. Leiser be most gratefully thanked by the Grand Lodge of B. C., A. O. U. W., for the banner presented for competition by the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction.—Adopted.

H. E. LANGIS,  
A. M. Bullock.

Bro. H. E. Edwards, Representative from Vancouver Lodge No. 5, having arrived, P. G. M. W. Bro. Warren was instructed to confer the Grand Lodge Degree upon Bro. Edwards in the ante-room, after which Bro. Edwards took his seat in the Grand Lodge.

## Document 11.]

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W. of B.C.:*

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the Report of the Special Committee on Constitution.—Report adopted.

G. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

## Document 12.]

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Lodge resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider clause by clause the report of the Committee on Constitution.

W. A. DEWOLF SMITH,  
G. LEISER.

The Resolution was adopted and the Grand Lodge went into Committee of the Whole, P. G. M. W. G. Leiser in the chair. Upon motion the Committee rose and reported progress, when it was moved that the

report of the Committee be made the first order of business on Thursday morning.—Motion adopted.

Document 13.]

Whereas the Supreme Lodge, at its last session amended General Law 10, Sec. 3, so as to make it optional with the Grand Lodges to issue a one thousand dollar certificate,

Therefore be it *Resolved*,—That this Grand Lodge, on and after the first day of August, 1896, shall issue Beneficiary Certificates of the Denomination of one thousand dollars, and that an assessment of one-half rate be levied on members holding Beneficiary Certificates for this amount.—Adopted.

GUS. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK,  
R. T. WILLIAMS,  
A. E. WOODS.

Upon motion the Grand Lodge took recess until half-past seven.

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## EVENING SESSION.

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The Grand Lodge was called to order at 7:30, Grand Master Workman Budlong in the chair.

Document 14.]

*Resolved*,—That the Executive Officers of this Grand Lodge take the necessary steps immediately after the adjournment of this Grand Lodge to secure the incorporation of this Grand Lodge under the provisions of the "Benevolent Societies Act, 1891."

FRED. DAVEY,  
C. F. YATES,  
H. R. PARK,  
E. J. SALMON,  
J. E. PHILLIPS,  
A. STEWART.

The above being in conflict with the law of the Supreme Lodge, the resolution was withdrawn.

Bro. T. W. Kerr, representative of Delta Lodge, No. 12, and Bros. R. Seabrook and Wm. Turpel, P. M. W., from Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, being present, instructions were given P. G. M. W. Bro. Warren to confer the Grand Lodge degree upon the above named Brothers.

Document 15.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C. :*

Your Committee on Distribution beg to recommend the following allotments of the Grand Master Workman's report :

To the Committee on Good of the Order, pages 1, 3, and latter part of page 5 ;

To the Committee on Laws, page 4 and first part of page 5.

Also that the report of Bro. Lazenby, District Deputy for Langley, Cloverdale, Chilliwack, and Port Haney, be referred to the Committee on Good of the Order.—Report adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

FRED. DAVEY,

C. F. YATES,

H. R. PARK.

Document 16.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W. of B.C. :*

Your Committee on Distribution beg to recommend the following disposition of the report of the Grand Recorder: Most of the report deals with the finances of the Grand Lodge, and has been reported on by the Committee on Finance, and need not be further dealt with.

We recommend that pages 4, 5, 6 and 7 be referred to the Committee on Good of the Order, with the exception of the latter part of page 4 and first part of page 5, dealing with the proposed establishment of a Relief Fund by Subordinate Lodges, which should be referred to the Committee on Laws.

Yours fraternally,

FRED. DAVEY,

C. F. YATES,

H. R. PARK.

Upon motion the report was adopted.

Document 17.]

*Resolved*,—That this Grand Lodge, on and after the first day of August, 1896, adopt a graded assessment system upon the following general plan :—

There shall be four classes, as follows :

- A. Embracing all members between the ages of 21 and 29 years, inclusive;
- B. Embracing all members between the ages of 30 and 35 years, inclusive;

- C. Embracing all members between the ages of 36 and 40 years, inclusive;
- D. Embracing all members between the ages of 41 and 45 years, inclusive.

Upon each and every Assessment called for the Beneficiary Fund the members of the different classes shall be required to pay the following sums, to wit :—

	Half Rate.	Full Rate.
Class A.....	\$ .40	\$ .80
“ B .....	.50	1.00
“ C .....	.60	1.20
“ D.....	.70	1.40

Provided, however, that the present members of our jurisdiction shall on the 1st day of Aug., 1896, be assigned to Class B., and remain in this class until their membership terminates :

Provided, further, that this classified assessment plan shall be subject to the approval of the Supreme Lodge, and that all members joining under this plan hold their membership on the condition that such plan may be changed, altered, or amended by this Grand Lodge at any time hereafter.

GUS. LEISER,  
J. D. WARREN,  
A. E. WOODS,  
R. T. WILLIAMS,  
D. C. WEBBER.

Referred to the Committee on Laws by a vote of 24 for and 3 against.

Upon motion the Grand Lodge adjourned until Thursday, at 9 a.m.

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## SECOND DAY.

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The Grand Lodge was called to order at 9 a.m., Grand Master Workman Budlong presiding.

The Roll Call of Grand Lodge Officers and Representatives was then called, and the following noted absent: Fred. Davey, H. Jewell, and H. E. Edwards.

The report of proceedings of previous day's session was read and adopted.

Document 18.]

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Recorder send notice of suspension to all suspended members of their delinquency by registered letter. Also notify them that the cost of said notice, viz., 10 cents, must be paid by them, and that said notice must be presented to the Financier by members when paying arrears.

WM. JACKSON,  
H. C. EDWARDS.

Upon motion the resolution was indefinitely postponed.

Document 19.]

*Resolved*,—That the following be endorsed upon each certificate of membership held by this Grand Lodge; and also that our Supreme Lodge Representatives be instructed to bring the same to the attention of the Supreme Lodge, and endeavor, if possible, to have the same adopted throughout the Supreme Lodge jurisdiction.

It is hereby understood and agreed that should the member holding this certificate die by his own hand, or through the use of alcoholic liquors, that then, in such case, the beneficiary under this certificate shall only be entitled to one-quarter of the amount of the face of this certificate.

A. M. BULLOCK,  
H. KIPP,  
R. T. WILLIAMS,  
H. HOY,  
J. E. CHURCH.

Upon motion the resolution was received and filed.

Document 20.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Laws, to whom was referred the amendments of the Special Committee on Constitution, beg leave to report that they have duly considered the same and recommend that they be approved, including Rules 3, 6 and 13, which were laid over pending action of Document No. 14. We also recommend that Document No. 13 be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,  
GUS. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Upon motion the Report of the Committee on Laws was adopted.

## AMENDMENTS TO GRAND LODGE CONSTITUTION.

Strike out the amendment to Sec. 2, of Art. 2, and insert after the word "represent," in 12th line of Sec. 2, "Or the Lodge may designate a Past Master Workman who is a member of the Grand Lodge, as its proxy."

Art. 3, Sec. 2. To insert after "the," in sixth line, the word "elective."

Art 5, Sec. 1. Add the following to end of Sec. 1: "The Grand Lodge Trustees shall be elected from among the Past Grand Master Workmen or other Grand Lodge Officers."

Art. 7, Sec. 1. Strike out the word "them," in the fifth line, and insert "him."

In the amendment to Sec. 1, of Art. 7, 1895, strike out the word "Junior" and insert "Senior."

Art. 7, Sec. 2. In paragraph 3 of said Section, line 11, strike out the word "any," and insert "and."

Art. 7, Sec. 6. On page 13, after the word "Lodge," on first line, insert "giving his receipt for the same."

In the amendment to Sec. 6 of Art. 7, 1895, strike out all the words after "twenty-fifth," in third line, and that portion of Section 6 repealed by said amendment, shall be and is revived.

Art 7, Sec. 9. Strike out from the word "he," fourth line, to word "distribution," inclusive.

Art. 9, Sec. 1. Strike out from the word "where," on line 15, to the word "person," inclusive.

Art. 12, Sec. 6. Strike out the words "eight dollars," and insert "five dollars."

Art. 14, Sec. 1. Page 29, first line, strike out the word "night." At the end of the second paragraph, after the word "Recorder," add "with all other property of the Lodge."

## BENEFICIARY RULES.

Rule 1. Strike out from the word "The," in the fourth line, down to the word "Applicant," inclusive.

3. After "No.," in second paragraph, insert "\$1,000.00 or," and after the word "of," in ninth line, insert "one thousand or."

6. Add the following: "A member holding a two thousand dollar certificate may at any time change the same to a one thousand dollar certificate by making application to his Lodge in writing and pay-

ing the sum of 50 cents. He shall surrender his former certificate, which shall be forwarded by the Recorder of his Lodge to the Grand Recorder, together with the application and the sum of 50 cents. The Grand Recorder shall issue a new certificate of the denomination specified in the application. The old certificate shall be cancelled and filed in the office of the Grand Recorder.

13. To insert after the word "who," the following: "holds a two thousand dollar certificate, and fifty cents or more upon each member who holds a one thousand dollar certificate who."

15. Strike out the word "he," in fifth line, and insert "the Financier."

19. Strike out after the word "the," in eighth line, and insert "Grand Recorder" for the same.

20. Strike out the word "first," in second line, and insert "twenty-fifth."

23. Third paragraph, fifth line—Strike out the words "Grand Receiver through the."

48. Repealed, and insert in lieu thereof, "The Relief Call to be issued, collected and disbursed in conformity with the Law of the Supreme Lodge."

#### SUBORDINATE LODGE CONSTITUTION.

Art. 2. Sec. 2. Add the following: "Should the applicant be within five years of the age limit of 45, he shall produce a certified copy of certificate of birth, or satisfactory evidence to the Investigating Committee that his age is correct."

Art. 2, Sec. 3. Amend the Section, commencing on line 8, after the word "minutes," to make it read thus: "If the Medical Examiner's Certificate be favorable, said application shall be forwarded to the Grand Medical Examiner. No further action shall be taken by the Lodge on the said application until after its approval by the Grand Medical Examiner. When the application is returned approved by the Grand Medical Examiner, it shall be referred to a committee of three for investigation."

Art. 2, Sec. 3. Paragraph two, in ninth line, strike out the word "one," and insert "two."

Art. 2, Sec. 3. Paragraph 3, second line, strike out the "two," and insert "three."

Art. 13, Sec. 3. Strike out the word "Fund," and insert "and Relief Fund."



Art. 13, Sec. 4. Strike out all after the word "Rules," in the sixth line.

On Page 83 strike out General Law 7.

Document 21.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Laws, to whom was referred that portion of the Grand Master's Report dealing with Graded Assessments, beg leave to report that we have carefully considered the same and recommend that in view of the action already taken on the subject by the Grand Lodge, the same be not approved.—Adopted.

G. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Document 22.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Distribution beg to recommend the following disposition of the matters contained in the Report of the Committee on Finance:—

To the Committee on Good of the Order, that portion on pages 1 and 2 referring to the indebtedness of our late Grand Recorder, Brother Youdall:

To the Committee on Laws, those portions of page 5 calling attention to the inattention of Subordinate Lodges to Rule 21, Beneficiary Rules: Also that paragraph recommending the enactment of a law respecting non-payment of per capita tax by Subordinate Lodges:

That portion referring to additional proof of age being forwarded by applicant over 43 years of age has already been dealt with by the Grand Lodge. The remainder of the report need not be referred to any Committee, but could be dealt with direct by the Grand Lodge.—Adopted.

FRED. DAVEY,  
H. R. PARK.

Document 23.]

*Resolved*,—That the next session of the Grand Lodge be held at New Westminster, B. C., commencing on the second Wednesday in March, 1897.

GUS. LEISER,  
J. E. CHURCH,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Amendment to Document 23.]

*Resolved*,—That the meetings of the Grand Lodge be held at Victoria, and that this be the permanent place of meeting.

A. E. WOODS,  
H. HOY,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Upon motion Document 23 and amendment were laid over until after the election of officers.

Document 24.]

*Resolved*,—That the first order of business after the recess of noon be election of officers.—Adopted.

A. E. WOODS,  
H. HOY,  
J. D. WARREN.

Document 25.]

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Lodge instruct the Finance Committee to base the rate per mile paid to Grand Lodge Officers and Representatives on the amount of actual necessary travelling expenses, decided by the approximate number of miles travelled by such persons.—Adopted.

A. E. WOODS,  
R. GIBSON.

Document 26.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Distribution beg to recommend that the Report of the Grand Medical Examiner be allotted to the following Committees: To the Committee on Good of the Order page 1, and Tables A. to G. To the Committee on Laws, pages 2, 3 and 4.—Adopted.

FRED. DAVEY,  
H. R. PARK.

Document 27.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Laws beg leave to report that that portion of the Grand Recorder's Report dealing with the amendment to General Law 10, Supreme Lodge Constitution, be adopted.

That the recommendations of the Grand Medical Examiner in

regard to medical blanks, which was referred to your Committee, be adopted.—Report adopted.

Respectfully submitted,  
G. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Document 28.]

*Resolved*,—That it is to the best interest of the Order that Grand Lodge sessions be held bi-annually instead of annually.

A. L. LAZENBY,  
F. L. BUDLONG.

A point of order being raised, the Grand Master ruled the Resolution out of Order.

Document 29.]

*Resolved*,—That the decision of D. D. G. M. Leiser: that Bro. Bennett, of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, had been suspended for six months on 28th January, 1896, be not approved, as, according to Beneficiary Rule No. 25, he would only have been suspended six months on 28th February, 1896.

FRED. DAVEY,  
J. E. CHURCH.

Moved in amendment that Document No. 29 lie on the table.—Amendment adopted.

Document 30.]

*Resolved*,—That the action of Fraser Lodge, No. 3, and Brunette Lodge, No. 9, in consolidating under the name and number of Fraser Lodge, No. 3, be approved by this Grand Lodge.—Adopted.

J. T. McILMOYL,  
GEO. ADAMS.

Document 31.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to whom was referred Tables A. to G., inclusive, of the Grand Medical Examiner's Report, beg to report that they recommend that the information contained therein be published in the proceedings of this Grand Lodge session. They beg to further report that they find much to commend in the careful manner in which these tables have been compiled and kept.—Adopted.

A. E. WOODS,  
A. L. LAZENBY,  
M. BATE.

Document 32.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances, report as follows:—

That no business has been brought before them this session, and that they are pleased to note that the efficiency of the Grand Officers and the Officers of the Subordinate Lodges has been such as to avoid any grievance, and they are happy to congratulate them on the good working of the Order.—Adopted.

J. E. CHURCH,  
R. GIBSON,  
H. E. LANGIS.

Document 33.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Good of the Order, to whom was referred certain portions of the Grand Master Workman's Report, beg to report as follows:

We recommend that that portion advising the formation in Subordinate Lodges of a Committee on Increase of Membership receive the commendation of this Grand Lodge, and that the Grand Recorder be instructed to draw the attention of Subordinate Lodges particularly to this portion of the Grand Master Workman's Report.

We think that that portion of the report referring to the granting of a dispensation to Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, *re* re-instatement of Bro. Bennett, should not have been referred to your Committee, but to the Committee on Laws.

We recommend that the clause in D. D. Bro. Lazenby's Report referring to financial differences between Chilliwack Lodge and the Grand Lodge be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We think the Districts of Chilliwack, Cloverdale, Langley, and Ladner should receive the special attention of some competent person empowered to canvass these districts with a view to adding to the membership of the Order.

We are pleased to notice the improved financial standing of this jurisdiction, and that notwithstanding the prevalent depression in trade, our Order has been holding its own.

We recommend that the report of the Grand Master Workman be printed in the proceedings of this session of the Grand Lodge.—Report adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. WOODS,  
A. L. LAZENBY,  
M. BATE.

Document 34.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.*

*Resolved*,—That a warrant be drawn on the Grand Receiver for the sum of six dollars (\$6.00) to cover the hospital expenses of Bro. *Bowell*, Representative of *Enderby Lodge*, and this Grand Lodge heartily sympathises with him, and is much pleased to see he has so much improved.—Adopted.

R. T. WILLIAMS,  
GEO. ADAMS.

Upon motion the Grand Lodge took recess until 1:30 p.m.

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### AFTERNOON SESSION.

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The Grand Lodge resumed business at 1:30 p.m., Grand Master Workman Budlong presiding.

The hour having arrived for the special order of business, the election of officers was proceeded with.

The Grand Master Workman appointed *Mark Bate*, of *Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4*, and *A. L. Lazenby*, of *Maple Leaf Lodge, No. 17*, Tellers.

*Bro. J. E. Church* was nominated for Grand Master Workman and unanimously elected.

*Bro. A. E. Woods* was nominated for Grand Foreman and unanimously elected.

The nominations for Grand Overseer were *R. Gibson*, *C. S. Corrigan*, *T. H. Trahay*, and *A. M. Bullock*. The ballot being spread resulted in the election of *T. H. Trahey*, Grand Overseer.

*Bro. J. T. McIlmoyl* was nominated for Grand Recorder and unanimously re-elected.

*Bro. R. T. Williams* was nominated for Grand Receiver and unanimously re-elected.

The nominations for Grand Medical Examiner were *Bro. W. A. De Wolf Smith* and *Bro. H. E. Langis*. The ballot being spread resulted in the re-election of *Bro. W. A. DeWolf Smith*, Grand Medical Examiner.

The nominations for Grand Trustees were *Geo. Adams*, *F. L. Budlong*, *J. D. Warren*, *H. Kipp*, and *C. F. Russell*, resulting in the election of *J. D. Warren*, *F. L. Budlong*, and *George Adams*, Grand Trustees.

The nominations for Supreme Lodge Representatives were Gus. Leiser, J. T. McIlmoyl, H. Hoy, and F. L. Budlong. Brothers Leiser, McIlmoyl, and Budlong were elected

Document 35.]

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Recorder and Finance Committee take all necessary steps toward the collection of any moneys that may be legally due from Bro. Youdall to the Grand Lodge.

A. E. WOODS,  
H. HOY.

Amendment to Document 35.]

*Resolved*,—That the claim against Bro. Youdall be carried to profit and loss, and his name erased from the books as debtor to this Grand Lodge.

J. D. WARREN,  
J. T. McILMOYL.

The amendment was carried.

Document 36.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Laws beg to recommend the adoption of that portion of the Report of the Committee on Finance relating to Rule 21, Beneficiary Laws, and that the Grand Recorder be requested to notify Recorders of all Subordinate Lodges that this rule must be strictly complied with hereafter.

We do not think it advisable to enact new laws in regard to neglecting the payment of per capita tax to Grand Lodge, but would recommend that the incoming Grand Master enforce the present law dealing with this, as per Art. 10, Sec. 2, Grand Lodge Constitution.—Adopted.

Fraternally submitted,  
GUS. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Document 37.]

*Resolved*,—That the sum of \$10 be paid E. A. Halliday for extra detention attending Grand Lodge session.—Carried.

Document 38.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the Report of

the Grand Receiver, beg to state that we have examined the same and find it correct.—Adopted.

E. J. SALMON,  
JOS. E. PHILLIPS.

Document 39.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee on Finance, to whom was referred that portion of D. D. Bro. Lazenby's Report which refers to the finances of Chilliwack Lodge, beg to state that we cannot see how we can entertain this claim until we have some authorized data to work on. We would recommend that the complaining Lodge send a communication, with all papers connected with the case, to the Grand Recorder. The matter will then be duly referred to the Finance Committee, who will investigate the claim --Adopted.

E. J. SALMON,  
J. E. PHILLIPS.

Document 40.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

Your Committee, appointed to draft the conditions upon which the banner presented by Bro. Gus. Leiser shall be competed for, beg leave to report as follows:—

Lodges with a membership of	30	to initiate	20.
" "	"	30 to 50	" 25.
" "	"	50 to 100	" 35.
" "	"	100 or over	" 50.

The Lodge with the greatest increase over the above rate shall be entitled to the banner.—Adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

J. T. McILMOYL,  
GUS. LEISER,  
H. HOY.

Document 41.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved*,—That the next session of this Grand Lodge be held in Victoria, B. C., commencing on the second Wednesday in March, 1897.—Carried unanimously.

A. E. WOODS,  
H. HOY.

Document 42.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of the Representatives to this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to the officers and members of the Lodges of Victoria and the Degree of Honor for their exceedingly kind and hospitable reception accorded during the session of this Grand Lodge.—Carried.

C. F. YATES,  
F. L. BUDLONG.

Document 43.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved*,—That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are hereby tendered and due to Bro. Geo. Adams for his services as Assistant Grand Recorder.—Carried.

A. E. WOODS,  
J. T. McILMOYL.

Document 44.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved*,—That our Grand Recorder be instructed to have 250 copies of the proceedings of this session of our Grand Lodge printed.—Carried.

GUS. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Document 45.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved*,—That at the end of our proceedings a page be set apart devoted to our fraternal dead.—Carried.

E. J. SALMON,  
E. A. HALLIDAY,  
H. MANSELL,  
JOS. E. PHILLIPS.

#### INSTALLATION.

Bro. P. G. M. W. Gus. Leiser, assisted by Bro. P. G. M. W. J. D. Warren, installed the following Grand Lodge Officers:—

F. L. Budlong.....	Past Grand Master Workman
J. E. Church.....	Grand Master Workman
A. E. Woods.....	Grand Foreman
T. H. Trahey.....	Grand Overseer
J. T. McIlmoyl.....	Grand Recorder
R. T. Williams.....	Grand Receiver
W. A. De Wolf Smith...	Grand Medical Examiner



Document 46.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved,*—That a hearty vote of thanks of the Grand Lodge be tendered to the A.O.U.W. Building Association for the excellent accommodation it has furnished in giving the use of its Lodge rooms.—Carried.

M. BATE.  
H. Hoy.

Document 47.]

*To the Grand Lodge, A.O.U.W., of B.C.:*

*Resolved,*—That the Grand Lodge, by a standing vote, tender its most sincere thanks to the members of the Finance Committee for the very efficient manner in which they have performed their duties.—Carried unanimously.

GUS. LEISER,  
D. C. WEBBER,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

Grand Master Workman, Bro. J. E. Church, announced the following appointments :

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Bro. E. J. Salmon,  
“ J. E. Phillips,  
“ A. Stewart.

COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

Bro. H. Hoy,  
“ A. M. Bullock,  
“ D. C. Webber.

The business of the Session being completed, the Grand Lodge closed in due form.

J. T. McILMOYL,  
*Grand Recorder.*

## GRAND LODGE OFFICERS.



F. L. Budlong, Past Grand Master Workman, Perseverance Lodge, No. 11.  
 J. E. Church, Grand Master Workman..... Victoria Lodge, No. 1.  
 A. E. Woods, Grand Foreman..... Fraser Lodge, No. 3.  
 T. H. Trahey, Grand Overseer..... Western Star Lodge, No. 7.  
 J. T. McIlmoyl, Grand Recorder..... Vancouver Lodge, No. 5.  
 R. T. Williams, Grand Receiver..... Victoria Lodge, No. 1.  
 W. A. De Wolf Smith, Grand Medical Examiner.. Fraser Lodge, No. 3.

### GRAND TRUSTEES.

J. D. Warren.                      George Adams.                      F. L. Budlong.

### SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

Gus. Leiser.                      J. T. McIlmoyl.                      F. L. Budlong.

### COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

E. J. Salmon.                      J. E. Phillips.                      A. Stewart.

### COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

H. Hoy.                      A. M. Bullock.                      D. C. Webber.

## In Memoriam.

**Frederick Adams**

MARCH 22ND, 1895.

Sullivan Lodge, No. 6, Victoria.

**Alexander McKinnon**

MAY 11TH, 1895.

Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, Victoria.

**J. Van Bramer**

JUNE 6TH, 1895.

Granville Lodge, No. 2, Vancouver.

**J. A. Cohen**

JUNE 18TH, 1895.

Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, Victoria.

**A. J. Rowbotham**

AUGUST 1ST, 1895.

Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, Victoria.

**S. Foster**

SEPTEMBER 1ST, 1895.

Ranaimo Lodge, No. 4, Ranaimo.

