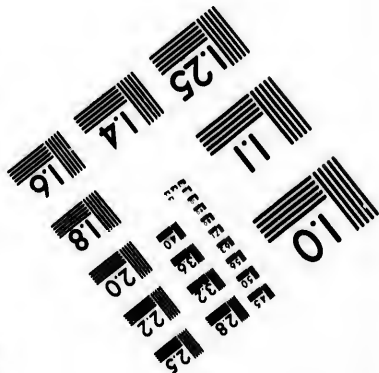
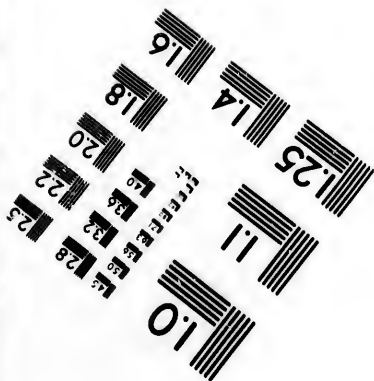
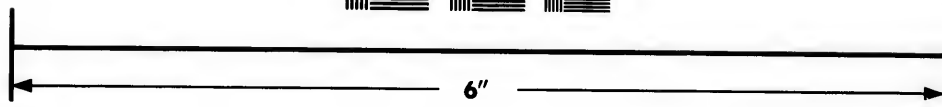
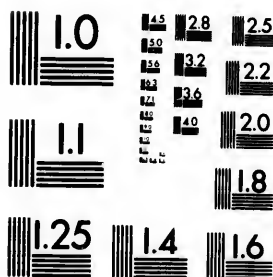


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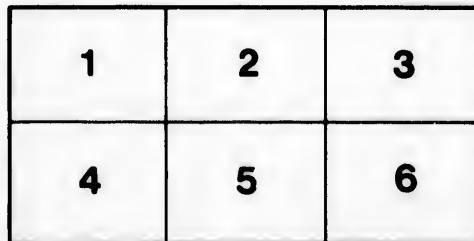
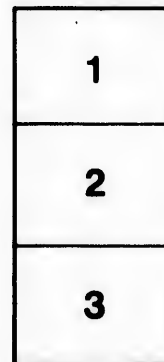
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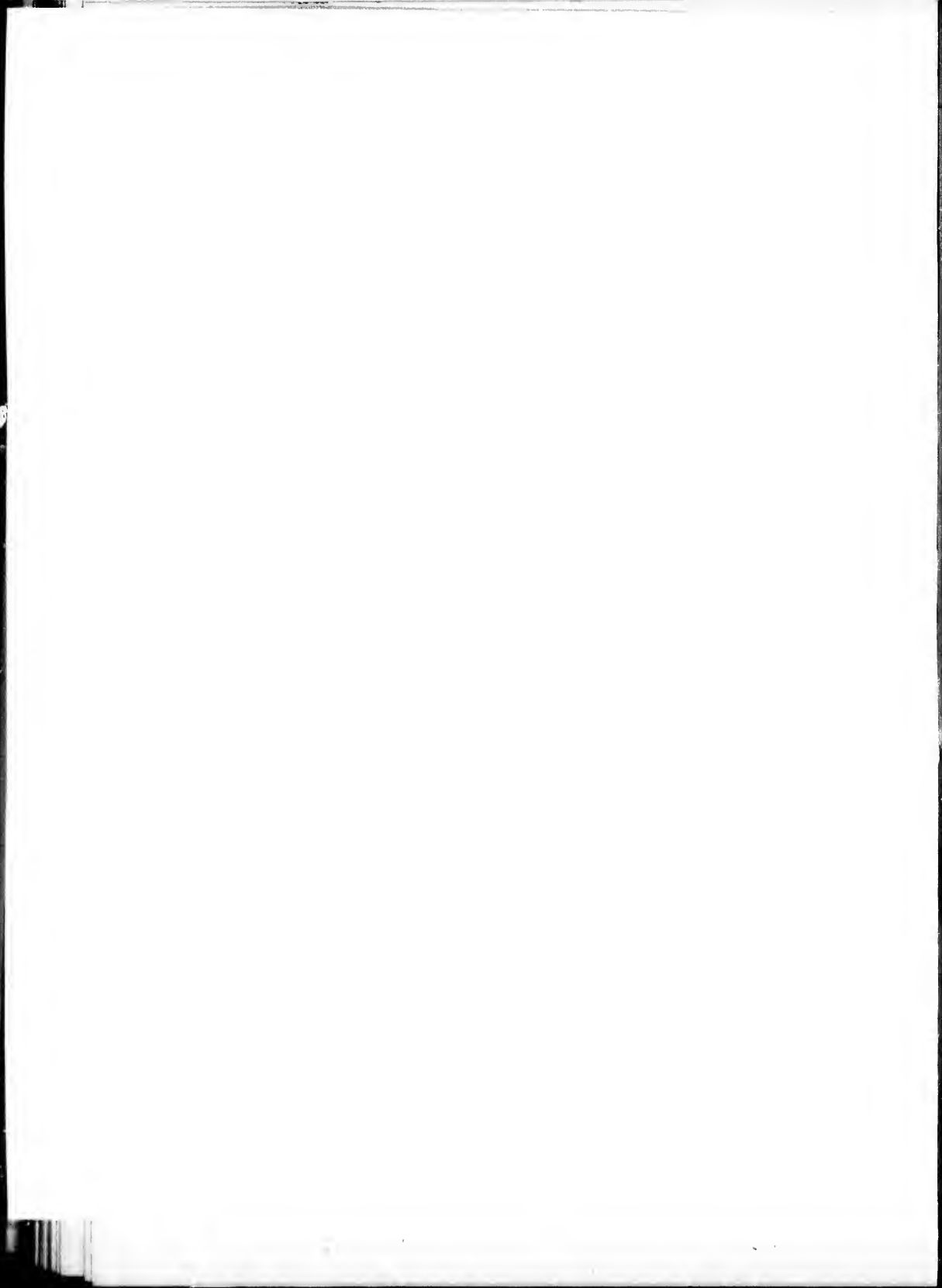
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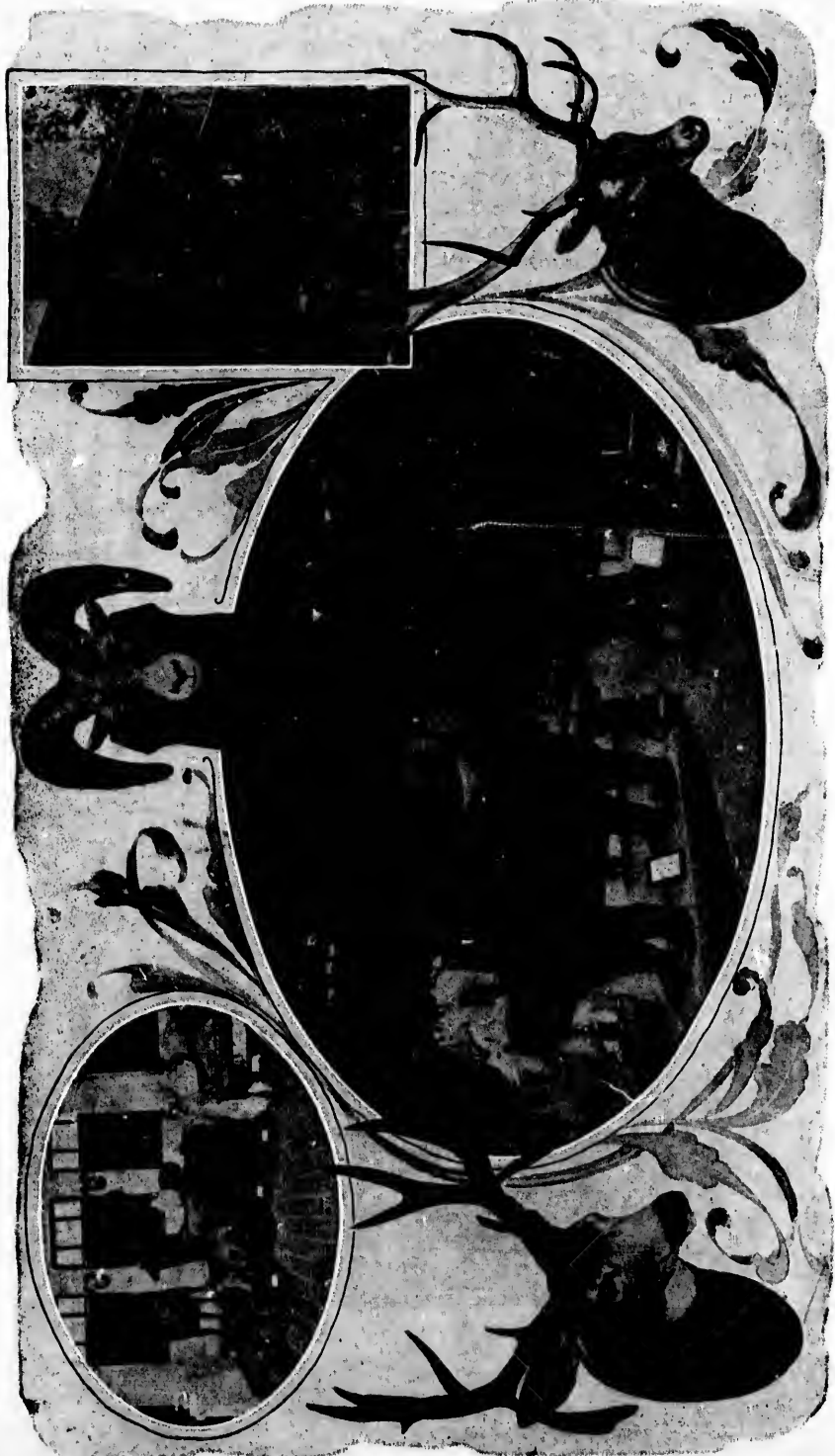
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**FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.**

Grand Master Workman E. J. Salmon called the Grand Lodge to order at 10:30 a.m.

OFFICERS PRESENT:

A. Stewart .....	Past Grand Master Workman
E. J. Salmon .....	Grand Master Workman
George Adams .....	Grand Foreman
J. T. McIlmoyl .....	Grand Recorder
R. T. Williams .....	Grand Receiver
W. A. DeWolf Smith .....	Grand Medical Examiner

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

J. E. Church,	A. Stewart,	Wm. Scowcroft.
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COMMITTEE ON LAWS:

A. E. Woods,	H. Hoy.
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GRAND TRUSTEES:

J. D. Warren, J. Hilbert, A. M. Bullock.  
F. L. Budlong ..... Past Grand Master Workman

Past Grand Master Workman Bro. Wm. Colvig, of Oregon, and a prominent member of the Supreme Lodge, entered the Lodge as the representative of the Supreme Master Workman. A very cordial welcome was accorded our esteemed brother, and his presence at this Session of the Grand Lodge will be both pleasant and profitable to this jurisdiction.

The Grand Master Workman made the following appointments:

J. D. Warren.....Grand Overseer, vice Bro. R. D. Fetherstone, absent  
T. W. Kerr .....Grand Guide  
Phil R. Smith.....Grand Inside Watchman  
C. W. Kirk.....Grand Outside Watchman

COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS:

A. M. Bullock, J. Hilbert, F. L. Budlong.

The Grand Lodge took a short recess to enable the Committee on Credentials to prepare their report. Upon resuming business the Committee on Credentials presented the following report:—

DOCUMENT NO. I.

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report the following delegates entitled to seats at this Session of the Grand Lodge: J. E. Church, A. E. Lees, Hugh Gordon, A. H. McBride, S. F. McIntosh, Wm. Scowcroft, Phil R. Smith, Frank Higgins, C. W. Kirk, Sam'l Siddell, F. W. Welsh, R. H. Macaulay, T. W. Kerr, Hector Ferguson.

Signed

A. M. BULLOCK,  
JOHN HILBERT,  
Committee on Credentials.

Upon motion the report of the Committee on Credentials was adopted and the Committee instructed to retire and introduce the delegates that had not previously received the Grand Lodge degree.

The Committee returned and introduced the following representatives: S. F. McIntosh, C. W. Kirk, Frank Higgins, Phil R. Smith, F. W. Welsh, Sam'l Siddell, A. H. McBride and A. E. Lees.

The Grand Lodge degree was then conferred upon the above named representatives by Grand Master Workman E. J. Salmon, assisted by Past Grand Master Workman A. Stewart.

The roll of officers and representatives was called, when the following answered to their names:

**OFFICERS:**

A. Stewart ..... Past Grand Master Workman  
 E. J. Salmon ..... Grand Master Workman  
 Geo. Adams ..... Grand Foreman  
 J. D. Warren..... Grand Overseer  
 J. T. McIlmoyl ..... Grand Recorder  
 R. T. Williams..... Grand Receiver  
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**STANDING COMMITTEES.**

**COMMITTEE ON LAWS:**

A. E. Woods. H. Hoy.

**GRAND TRUSTEES:**

J. D. Warren, A. M. Bullock, J. Hilbert.

**SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES:**

A. E. Woods, J. E. Church, J. T. McIlmoyl.

**REPRESENTATIVES:**

Victoria Lodge No.	1.....	J. E. Church
Granville	" 2.....	A. E. Lees
Fraser	" 3.....	Hugh Gordon
		A. H. McBride
Nanaimo	" 4.....	
Vancouver	" 5.....	S. F. McIntosh
		Wm. Scowcroft
Lanier	" 6.....	Phil R. Smith
		Frank Higgins
Western Star	" 7.....	C. W. Kirk
Rossland	" 8.....	(by proxy) Sam'l Siddell
Trail	" 9.....	Sam'l Siddell
Perseverance	" 11.....	F. W. Welsh
		R. H. Macaulay
Delta	" 12.....	T W. Kerr
Maple Leaf	" 17.....	Hector Ferguson

The Grand Master Workman announced the following committees:

COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION:

W. A. DeWolf Smith,            F. L. Budlong,            S. F. McIntosh.

COMMITTEE ON APPEALS:

George Adams,                Wm. Jackson,            A. E. Lees.

COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER:

F. W. Welsh,                 Frank Higgins,            Sam'l Siddell.

PRESS COMMITTEE:

R. T. Williams.

Moved by W. A. DeWolf Smith and seconded by J. E. Church: That the proceedings of last Session of the Grand Lodge be taken as read.

Carried

Upon motion it was resolved that the work of the Grand Lodge be conducted in the Workman Degree.

The Grand Master Workman presented and read his report, which upon motion was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

The following reports were presented and referred to the Committee on Distribution:

Report of the Grand Recorder.

Report of the Grand Receiver.

Report of the Grand Medical Examiner.

Report of the Committee on Finance.

Report of the Supreme Representatives.

## REPORT OF GRAND MASTER WORKMAN.

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Victoria, B. C., March 14th, 1900.

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

BRETHREN:—As Grand Master Workman, I beg to tender to the Officers, Committees, and Representatives of this Grand Lodge, a fraternal welcome, and cordial greeting.

In submitting my Report at this Ninth Session, I may state that it is with pride and satisfaction that I am able to report to you that never since the organization of this Grand Lodge, have we been more prosperous, and the reports which will be submitted to you, will no doubt furnish grounds for encouragement and satisfaction.

Within our jurisdiction all has been harmonious; we have a healthy increase in membership; our average age is reduced; and our general funds have been considerably augmented. Our death rate has still caused us to call for twelve assessments. The Supreme Relief Board has been applied to, and have granted \$1,190.74 for the amount of relief required by our jurisdiction.

The offer of "The Washington Workman" mentioned by my predecessor, was taken up by the Committee on Official Organ, with the result that the following Official Circular was issued by me:—

### OFFICIAL CIRCULAR No. 1.

Office of the Grand Master Workman.  
Victoria, B. C., June 20th, 1899.

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

GREETING:—At the last Session of the Grand Lodge it was duly resolved "That a Committee be empowered to ascertain and make the best arrangements they can in the interests of the Order for the publi-

cation of an Official Organ devoted wholly or in part to the interests of this Order." In compliance with said resolution Grand Recorder J. T. McIlmoyl and Past Grand Master Workmen A. Stewart and J. E. Church, were appointed a Committee on Official Journal. The Committee have made satisfactory terms with the publisher of the "Washington Workman," of Seattle, commencing in this July number, and on the first of each month until you are further notified, the assessment notices will be published in this, the Official Journal, but as the innovation is one our membership is unused to, you will, in addition, receive the usual post card notification this month; but in future this will be discontinued.

The following extract from the "Constitution of Subordinate Lodges" is published for your guidance, viz:—

Article XVI: Notice: "Every member shall record with the Financier his address, and such record shall be deemed his address until he directs a change of record.

'Notices of Official Journal sent by postal or usual methods to the recorded address, shall be deemed legal service, and a bar to any plea of want of notice.'

Fraternally in C. H. and P.,

E. J. SALMON,  
Grand Master Workman

I regret to state that, some difficulties having taken place on account of the change of management of the paper, the second copy not having been issued in time to comply with our Constitution, and there being general dissatisfaction expressed, I ordered the cancellation of the agreement, and we went back to the old system of notification.

I may here mention that in the Official Organ it was impossible to notify each member of his individual class of assessment. I therefore believe that the present post card system is a better means of notification.

During the year I appointed the following D.D.G.M.W.'s, with the jurisdiction over the undermentioned lodges:—

J. E. Church .....	Nos. 1, 5, 6, 7
F. W. Walsh .....	" 2, 11
A. Patterson .....	" 8, 9
D. J. Dailey .....	No. 4
M. Sinclair .....	" 3

My reason for not appointing more Brethren as D.D.G.M.W.'s was, that I had intended visiting the Interior Lodges, and would have had a better opportunity of making a selection, but, unfortunately, business over which I had no control, prevented me from making the visit I so much desired, and I shall feel that you will only be doing your duty if I am censured for not paying more attention to the office which I now occupy.

During the absence of Bros. J. T. McIlmoyl and J. E. Church at the Supreme Lodge, Bro. W. Scowcroft efficiently occupied the position of Grand Recorder, and Bros. J. D. Warren, and H. L. Salmon kindly acted as members of the Committee on Finance.

The inauguration of Nelson Lodge, No. 10, has proved anything but a success. They have not been free from indebtedness to the Grand Lodge since their establishment. They do not reply to the communications of the Grand Recorder or myself, and I see no other course but that their charter should be revoked. I should have called upon them to have surrendered their Lodge ere this, but I had hopes that their members would have been reinstated and have put in their cards in some more prosperous Lodge. I see no reason why there should not be a Lodge in that vicinity.

The brethren in the City finding the necessity of increasing our Order, devised means of establishing another Lodge in our midst. The consent of the City Lodges being obtained, sufficient names were soon secured to establish the new branch of our Order.

On September 15th last Banner Lodge, No. 6, was instituted. D.D.G.M.W., Bro. J. E. Church, was the instituting Officer, and he was capably assisted by P.G.M.W. A. Stewart, Grand Recorder J. T. McIlmoyl, Grand Receiver R. T. Williams, Bros. A. Scowcroft, Wm. Jackson, H. C. Edwards, and T. Banfield.

I had the honour of installing their first officers, who comprised some of our most prominent young professional and business men of our city. The personnel of this Lodge augurs well for its future. I may here mention that the establishment of the Lodge was without expense to the Grand Lodge.

P.G.M.W., Bro. J. E. Church, having spent considerable of his valuable time in his canvass for membership, his colleagues of this Grand Body considered it advisable to present this energetic brother with some token of the Order's appreciation of his services, consequently, at a banquet tendered to Banner Lodge on October 4th, I was delegated to pre-

sent the brother with a gold watch charm, embellished with the emblem of the Order. The object of giving the banquet was to endeavour to enthuse our new brethren in the good work before them.

The Grand Lodge has at all times had before it the importance of the extension of this jurisdiction, but for the lack of suitable brethren who could give their time and attention to so important a subject, we have been unable to do much during the past year.

Learning of an opportunity of establishing a lodge on Texada Island, P.G.M.W., Bro. J. E. Church, consented and was commissioned to establish a lodge in that flourishing mining community, if he considered it advisable so to do. The brother, after duly canvassing the town, reported that there was not sufficient suitable material for the before-mentioned object.

During the early part of this year I had the pleasure of installing the officers of Victoria Lodge, No. 1; Vancouver Lodge, No. 5; and Western Star Lodge, No. 7. On most of these occasions I was ably assisted by Bros. McIlmoyl and Church.

In February last I made an official visit to Granville Lodge, No. 2, Vancouver. I duly installed their officers and found them in a fairly prosperous condition. The members in that city look forward to having another Lodge in their midst in the near future.

I had made an appointment to visit Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4, but at the last moment I was requested to postpone my visit for a more auspicious occasion.

As loyal subjects of Her Majesty, the Queen, and as members of this great fraternity, I consider that our Lodges should keep in good standing those of our brethren who go to South Africa in defence of our country, and that our Supreme Representatives be instructed to endeavour to obtain some recognition for the protection of the beneficiaries of our soldier brethren, in setting aside some portion of "The Supreme Lodge War Fund" for their particular use.

The Supreme Lodge has recommended that memorial services be held each year, as a fitting tribute to the memory of our members who have died during the previous year, and it is thought that the admission of non-members to such services should be encouraged.

I am of the opinion that for the first six months of the year there should be one regular assessment, whether there be a death or not.

Experience has taught us that to double up on any month because our membership has been relieved of one or more assessment, during the previous month or months, is not conducive to the welfare of this jurisdiction. It is easy enough to relieve the membership of assessments the latter half of the year, if it should be necessary. I would therefore, recommend that Beneficiary Rule No. 13, be so amended as to give the Committee on Finance power to carry out said suggestion.

I recently appointed P.G.M.W., Bro. Hy. Hoy, on the Committee on Laws, vice J. Irvine, suspended from membership.

I am advised and quite concur in the opinion, that our Grand Lodge Sessions for the next few years should be held alternatively in Vancouver, Nanaimo, New Westminster and Victoria. Your brethren in this fair City feel highly honoured at the many times the Representatives at Grand Lodge Sessions vote to have the Annual Meeting take place here, but in doing so they consider that justice is not done to the other places in the Province.

I trust the time is not far distant when the Grand Lodge may be prepared to hold sessions in the far interior.

I took upon myself to suggest to some of the Lodges in the interior the advisability of sending but one Representative from a group of Lodges, such as Kelowna, Vernon, and Enderby, or to give proxies to Representatives nearer this meeting place. The funds thus saved could be utilized in the extension of the Order, and making official visits to the before-mentioned Lodges.

Some amendments to the Laws are submitted for your consideration. These are most important, as your Executive have found the laws, especially with relation to reinstatements, frequently misunderstood. It is to be hoped that such changes will be made to render them intelligible to all.

The necessity for avoiding suspension was fully demonstrated in an incident that occurred with a late member of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, of which I have unofficial information. The brother, who had been sixteen years a member of the Order, failed to pay the assessment on the 28th day of the month; on the 4th of the following month, (previous to the next meeting of the Lodge) he paid his arrears to the Financier of the Lodge. On the 6th of the month he died; consequently, he was under suspension at the time of his death. This is a very unfortunate case, as the widow of our deceased brother is in needy circumstances.



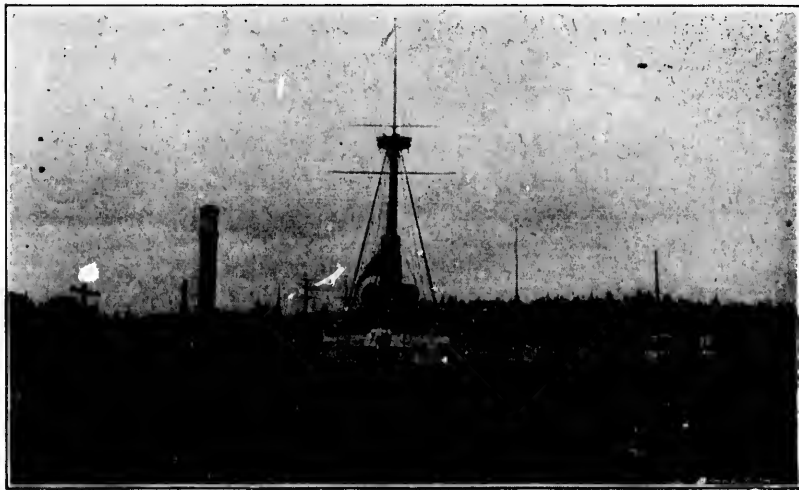
The appeal of Bro. H. C. Edwards, of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, and my decision thereto is here appended, which, possibly, you may consider good grounds for amending part of our Beneficiary Laws.

In conclusion I most heartily thank my colleagues, one and all, for the courteous and kind assistance rendered me during my official term. I must especially call your attention to the work done by our efficient Committee on Finance and Grand Recorder. With respect to the last named capable brother, having been a very frequent visitor to his office, I can state with some degree of knowledge, that it would be impossible to obtain a more painstaking Grand Recorder. His work has always been up-to-date, and while he does not complain at the emolument he receives, yet, I do not consider it in keeping with the amount of work he has to do to keep the Grand Lodge affairs in proper order.

Trusting you will have a prosperous session, and that it may tend to the enactment of such laws as will keep up our reputation as an Order second to none on the Continent of America.

Fraternally submitted in C. H. & P.

E. J. SALMON,  
Grand Master Workman.



## APPEAL AND ANSWER.

Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, A. O. U. W.  
Victoria, B. C., April 14th, 1899.

E. J. SALMON,  
Grand Master Workman,  
Jurisdiction of B. C.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—I beg to appeal against the action of this Lodge in reinstating Bro. G. Winter, and state the case as follows:—

Bro. Winter was suspended on Assessments 11 and 12 for the month of December, 1898. On the 28th day of March, 1899, he pays to the Financier at the latter's place of business, all arrears and pending assessments. The next regular meeting of this Lodge took place on April 14th, 1899. The Financier reported Bro. G. Winter had paid all necessary monies, and asked for the brother's reinstatement. A motion to reinstate him was accordingly put and carried by the Lodge; the M. W. declared him reinstated. The question was then asked, whether the necessary payment being *made within three months* and the Lodge not *reinstating* the brother within the three months, is the brother legally reinstated? I am of the *opinion he is not*, and beg to ask your reply to this appeal by the 28th April, 1899, the regular meeting night of this Lodge.

I am yours, in C. H. & P.,

H. C. EDWARDS,  
177 Douglas St., City.

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Victoria, B. C., April 25th, 1899.

H. C. EDWARDS, Esq.—

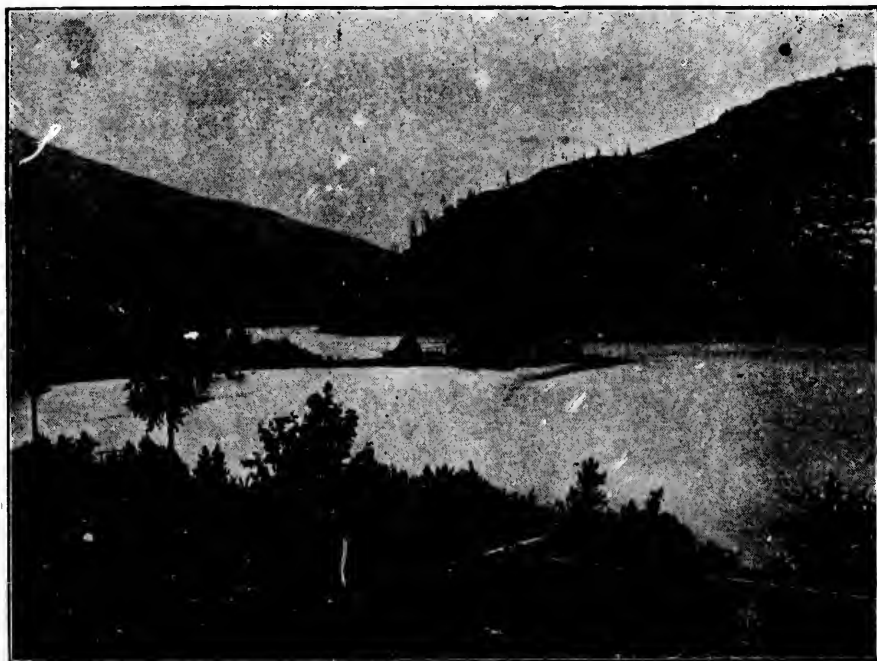
DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—In reply to your appeal from the decision of the Master Workman of Vancouver Lodge No 5, I must decide that the action of the Master Workman in allowing Bro. Winter to be rein-

stated at your last meeting, is not in accordance with Rule 27 of the Beneficiary Laws of the Grand Lodge. Certainly, the question is one that any Master Workman may not be very clear upon, for I do not think that Law 26 is explicit enough. Notwithstanding Bro. Winter paid his arrears at the Financier's place of business on the last day of the time limit, he could not have been reinstated until the next meeting of the Lodge, or over two weeks after the acceptance of the arrears by the Financier, and I contend this could only have been done under the terms and conditions of Beneficiary Law 27.

I remain in C. H. & P.,

Truly and fraternally,

E. J. SALMON,  
Grand Master Workman.



## REPORT OF THE GRAND RECORDER.

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To the Grand Master Workman, Officers and Brothers of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., of British Columbia:

BRETHREN:—In compliance with the requirements of the Constitution I have the honour to submit my annual report, showing the business transactions of the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1899.

The financial transactions of the year are set forth in detail in Exhibits A to E inclusive.

During the year there has been eleven deaths, exhausting our full maximum of twelve assessments, leaving a deficiency in the Beneficiary Fund of \$1,190.74. Application for said amount was made to the Relief Board. Upon examination of the books, papers and accounts by the Board our claim was awarded in full.

The financial condition of the Grand Lodge has been gradually improving. You will see by reference to the supplementary returns for January and February that at no time in the history of this Jurisdiction has the General Fund been in so satisfactory a condition.

One new Lodge has been organized during the year, viz., Banner Lodge, No. 6, of Victoria. This Lodge is composed largely of young professional and business men, and bids fair to become in fact what it is in name.

The older Lodges have not shown that activity that is so much desired, and in some instances show a slight decrease in membership.

Nelson Lodge, No. 10, has drifted into an unfortunate condition, the last assessment paid by said Lodge being No. 9, issued in September last. I sent several communications to the Recorder without eliciting any reply, and subsequently reported the Lodge to the Grand Master Workman. I understand he has been confronted with the same difficulty, viz., no reply to his communications.

The applicants admitted during the year have been of a most desirable character, and have assisted materially in reducing the average age of our entire membership.

The increase in membership in the City of Victoria is largely due to the efforts of our indefatigable Bro. J. E. Church, who has always taken so deep an interest in the welfare of our Order.

The receipts and disbursements for January and February, 1900, are as follows:—

#### BENEFICIARY FUND.

Balance on hand January 1st.....	\$1,889 28
Receipts from assessments .....	3,607 33
	\$5,496 61
Disbursements .....	2,000 00
Balance on hand .....	\$3,496 61

#### GENERAL FUND.

Balance on hand January 1st.....	\$ 377 84
Receipts .....	926 12
	\$1,303 96
Disbursements .....	329 61
Balance on hand .....	\$ 974 35

In conclusion I beg to tender to the Subordinate Lodge Officers my thanks for their uniform courtesy, and to the Officers of the Grand Lodge my cordial appreciation of their assistance and kindness during the year.

The Committee on Finance have met regularly and punctually every month, and have devoted all necessary time to the important duties entrusted to them. I feel under many obligations to them for valuable assistance.

Fraternally submitted in C. H. & P.,

J. T. McILMOYL,  
Grand Recorder.

EXHIBIT A.—BENEFICIARY FUND.

Itemized Statement of Receipts for the Fiscal Year ending December 31st, 1899.

Name of Lodge	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.
1 Victoria .....	\$ 836 58	\$ 420 16	\$ 430 48	\$ 429 04	\$ 424 06	\$ 430 84	\$ 427 74	\$ 427 85	\$ 420 95	\$ 411 50	\$ 412 90	\$ 412 45	\$ 5484 55
2 Granville .....	235 36	140 34	123 00	131 02	133 80	126 68	143 88	133 12	133 12	124 24	145 37	139 75	1709 68
3 Fraser .....	345 00	193 50	189 96	178 54	182 00	178 38	178 38	179 68	178 55	178 55	178 35	178 35	2339 24
4 Nanaimo .....	380 26	184 07	202 17	179 13	194 81	189 29	178 61	178 61	176 00	177 15	181 66	179 06	2400 82
5 Vancouver .....	574 56	287 24	283 54	301 44	292 04	291 26	281 86	289 54	291 73	269 08	264 48	284 03	3710 80
6 Banner .....	156 20	78 10	77 64	74 26	74 26	72 24	72 24	72 24	72 24	76 35	76 35	74 70	976 82
7 Western Star ..	83 46	53 16	47 82	47 95	54 26	50 68	55 90	60 65	65 60	48 85	54 20	52 95	675 48
8 Rossland .....	82 80	41 65	21 10	55 00	42 44	40 09	27 50	39 74	41 75	34 10	42 05	40 60	508 82
9 Trail .....	98 74	27 48	27 48	28 92	32 24	28 56	28 56	28 56	...	28 55	27 10	...	356 19
10 Nelson .....	205 52	101 42	107 78	111 00	107 44	114 12	110 90	110 90	111 65	107 00	114 65	110 00	1412 45
11 Perseverance ..	95 80	47 86	49 30	49 52	49 50	49 54	49 52	49 52	47 86	47 86	47 86	47 86	632 00
12 Delta .....	59 64	30 18	30 20	30 18	30 18	32 20	32 20	32 20	32 20	32 40	32 40	32 40	406 38
13 Leiser .....	24 85	17 80	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	14 25	185 15
14 Cloverdale .....	55 80	27 90	27 90	27 90	27 90	27 90	27 90	27 85	27 85	27 85	27 85	27 85	362 45
16 Vernon .....	87 50	42 86	42 86	45 89	43 87	43 87	41 85	41 85	41 90	41 90	41 90	53 48	569 73
17 Maple Leaf .....	40 00	21 16	21 16	21 16	21 16	21 16	21 16	21 16	21 15	21 15	21 15	21 15	272 73
18 Enderby .....	41 78	24 40	27 72	13 00	45 24	21 00	32 50	32 50	38 17	34 87	31 95	30 35	373 48
19 Kelowna .....	15 20	7 12	7 12	16 42	12 10	11 66	15 20	7 11	13 73	15 26	9 95	10 67	141 54
Members pay'g direct to G.L.	3419 05	1718 92	1758 96	1754 62	1781 55	1722 72	1686 80	1821 75	1728 71	1690 91	1721 82	1712 50	22518 31

## EXHIBIT B.--BENEFICIARY FUND.

Warrants drawn on Beneficiary Fund, 1899.

Date of Payment.	No. of Warrant.	To Whom Payable.	Relation-ship.	Amount.
Jan.	21 82	M. J. Gordon .....	Guardian ..	\$2000 00
"	30 83	Jane Partridge .....	Wife .....	2000 00
Feb'y	16 84	Jessie Clay .....	Wife .....	2000 00
March	15 478	Clara I. Brown .....	Refund .....	60 30
"	29 85	Mary Draut .....	Daughter ..	1000 00
"	29 86	Marcella Draut .....	Daughter ..	1000 00
"	29 484	John J. Acker .....	Relief call.	623 25
May	19 87	Catherine Tiernay .....	Wife .....	2000 00
June	15 88	Sarah S. Jackson .....	Wife .....	2000 00
July	25 89	Margaret Glaholm .....	Wife .....	2000 00
Aug.	24 90	Sarah Elizabeth Hodson .....	Guardian ..	2000 00
Sept.	20 91	Lucy O. Ross .....	Wife .....	668 00
"	20 92	Harry G. Ross .....	Son .....	666 00
"	20 93	Harriet E. Ross .....	Daughter ..	666 00
Nov.	11 94	Morgan Harris .....	Guardian ..	1400 00
"	95 95	J. Gillespie and G. Viponn ..	Executors ..	600 00
"	22 96	Elizabeth Gunn .....	Wife .....	2000 00
				\$22683 55

## Summary of the Beneficiary Fund, 1899.

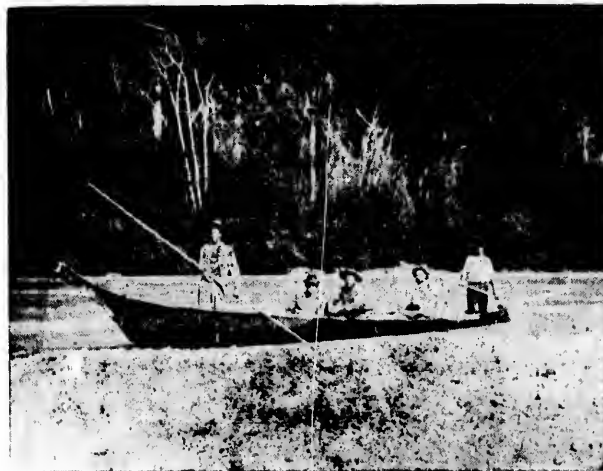
1899				
Jan.	1	To balance .....	924 06	
		" receipts per Exhibit A .....	22518 31	
		" relief granted .....	930 46	
		" refund from Mrs. C. I. Brown .....	200 00	
		By disbursements per Exhibit B .....		22683 55
Dec.	31	" balance .....		1889 28
			\$24572 83	\$24572 83



## EXHIBIT C.

Amount received from Lodges on account of General Fund for the year ending December 31st, 1899.

No.	Name of Lodge.	Per Capital	Supplies.	Total.
1	Victoria.....	376 25	32 25	408 50
2	Granville .....	201 25	22 65	223 90
3	Fraser .....	180 00	38 70	218 70
4	Nanaimo .....	175 00	19 25	194 25
5	Vancouver .....	266 25	29 90	296 15
6	Banner .....		242 00	242 00
7	Western Star .....	100 50	20 03	120 53
8	Rosland .....	76 25	36 64	112 89
9	Trail .....	70 00	33 75	103 75
10	Nelson .....		50	50
11	Perseverance .....	185 00	32 80	217 80
12	Delta .....	81 25	24 75	106 00
13	Leiser .....	39 75	6 06	45 81
14	Cloverdale .....	11 00	2 00	13 03
16	Vernon .....	45 00	7 50	52 50
17	Maple Leaf .....	58 75	11 08	69 83
18	Enderby .....	11 25	6 12	17 37
19	Kelowna .....	46 25	17 45	63 70
	Members paying direct to Gr. Lodge ..	25 00		25 00
		\$1948 75	\$583 43	\$2532 18





## EXHIBIT D.

Warrants drawn on General Fund during the year ending December 31st, 1899.

Date of Issue.	In Favor of	No. of Warrant.	Account of	Amount.
Jan. 1	J. Irvine .....	461	Services and expense as organizer .....	\$81 50
"	T. R. Cusack .....	462	Circulars and ass't notices. ....	12 50
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	463	Salary and postage .....	53 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	464	Office rent .....	5 00
"	W. A. DeWolf Smith..	465	Medical exam. add postage ..	23 27
"	T. N. Hibben & Co...	466	Minute book .....	2 00
Feb'y...	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	467	Express charges, postage, etc	9 90
"	T. R. Cusack .....	468	Ptg. bks. and as. not'cs No. 1	22 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	469	Salary .....	50 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	470	Office rent .....	5 00
"	T. R. Cusack .....	471	Envel. and as. notices No. 2.	14 10
March..	R. T. Williams .....	472	Office rent \$5, vault rent \$15	20 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	473	Salary, postage, etc.....	54 30
"	J. J. Acker .....	474	Per capita to Supreme Lodge	59 20
"	A. Stewart .....	475	Expense account .....	20 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	476	Expense of Gr. Ldge. session	301 45
"	J. D. Warren .....	477	Rent of lodge room .....	12 00
April ..	T. R. Cusack .....	479	As. notc's No. 3, 1. hds. and envelopes .....	20 00
"	Fell & Gregory .....	480	Legal advice .....	5 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	481	Salary postage, etc .....	55 35
"	R. T. Williams .....	482	Office rent.....	5 00
"	W. A. DeWolf Smith.	483	Medical examinations .....	13 50
May ...	T. R. Cusack .....	486	Assessment notices No. 4...	10 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	487	Salary, postage, etc. ....	54 45
"	R. T. Williams .....	488	Office rent.....	5 00
"	Prov. Publishing Co..	489	Print'g G. L. proceedg's and receipt books .....	87 50
"	A. M. Bullock.....	480	Prem. on guarantee bonds ..	40 00
June ..	T. R. Cusack .....	492	As. ntes. No. 5 and ntee. frs.	13 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	493	Postage, freight and exchg. .	10 50
"	Times Publishing Co..	494	Advertising .....	2 40
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	495	Salary .....	50 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	496	Office rent .....	5 00
July ..	T. R. Cusack .....	497	Assesment notices No. 6 ....	10 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	498	Office rent.....	5 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	499	Salary .....	50 00
"	C. O. Vold .....	500	Washington Workman .....	15 20
Aug. ...	T. R. Cusack .....	501	Assessment notices. ....	11 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	502	Pstge., etc., for June & July	6 20
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	503	Salary .....	50 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	504	Office rent .....	5 00
"	Greenw'd, Smith & Co	505	Ptg. beneficiary returns ....	19 75
"	John J. Acker .....	506	Per capita to Supreme Lodge	58 88

## EXHIBIT D.—Cont'd.

Date of Issue.	In Favor of	No. of Warrant.	Account of	Amount.
			Brought forward ...	
Sept....	T. R. Cusack .....	507	As. notices and post cards..	13 75
"	R. T. Williams .....	508	Office rent .....	5 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	509	Salary and postage .....	52 80
Oct. ...	T. R. Cusack .....	510	Assessment notices, etc. ....	14 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	511	Postage, freight, telegr., etc.	7 75
"	T. N. Hibben & Co... ..	512	Supplies. ....	5 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	513	Salary .....	50 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	514	Office rent .....	5 00
"	E. J. Salmon .....	515	Expense organ. Banner lodge	103 75
Nov. ...	T. R. Cusack .....	516	Assessment notices .....	10 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	517	Postage and coal for office ..	5 75
"	Greenw'd, Smith & Co	518	Ptg. monthly report forms..	7 50
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	519	Salary .....	50 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	520	Office rent .....	5 00
Dec. ...	T. R. Cusack .....	521	Assessment notices .....	10 00
"	R. T. Williams .....	522	Office rent .....	5 00
"	J. T. McIlmoyl .....	523	Salary, postage, etc.....	53 35
"	J. E. Church .....	524	Exp. re trip to Vancouver ..	25 00
				\$1781 60

## SUMMARY OF THE GENERAL FUND ACCOUNT, 1899.

To receipts per Exhibit C .....	\$2532 18	
By amount overdrawn Jan'y 1st, 1899.....		372 74
" Warrants paid per Exhibit D.....		1781 60
" balance on hand Jan. 1st, 1900 .....		377 84
	\$2532 18	\$2532 18

## EXHIBIT E.

## Relief Fund Account, 1899.

To amount on hand Jan. 1st, 1899.....	\$686 00	
By amount paid on account of Call 19 .....		686 00
	\$686 00	\$686 00

EXHIBIT F.

Showing the names of those who have died during the year together with their ages, dates of death and date of joining the Order.

Names.	Lodge and No.	Age.	Date of Death.	Joined the Order.
Henry Clay .....	Vancouver, 5...	46	Dec. 6, 1898.	Sept. 8th, 1892
John Draut .....	Victoria, 1.....	59	Jan. 12, 1899.	Nov. 25, 1879.
Wm. Tierney .....	Granville, 2....	60	March 1, "	May 27, 1887.
Adam Jackson.....	Fraser, 3 .....	56	April 13, "	July 30, 1880.
Wm. Hodson .....	Nelson, 10 .....	44	May 7, "	Sept. 17, 1897.
T. W. Glaholm .....	Nanaimo, 4 .....	55	June 6, "	July 15, 1886.
D. H. Ross .....	Victoria, 1.....	57	July 20, "	Nov. 15, 1879.
Donald Ferguson .....	Nanaimo, 4.....	60	July 27, "	May 5, 1881.
James Gunn .....	Fraser, 3 .....	36	Aug. 10, "	Feb. 22, 1897.
John D. Campbell .....	Victoria, 1.....	67	Oct. 20, "	Dec. 17, 1880.
James V. Rankin.....	Fraser, 3 .....	49	Oct. 22, "	July 21, 1893.

EXHIBIT G.—MEMBERSHIP.

Lodge.	Number.	Initiated.	Admitted by card.	Re-instated.	Died.	Suspended.	Withdrawn by card.	Expelled.	Membership Dec. 31, '99
Victoria .....	1	1	...	15	3	21	...	...	143
Granville .....	2	2	1	13	1	14	1	...	53
Fraser .....	3	4	...	3	3	5	...	...	71
Nanaimo .....	4	4	...	4	2	3	...	...	70
Vancouver .....	5	1	...	24	1	32	...	...	97
Banner .....	6	60	1	...	...	...	...	...	61
Western Star .....	7	1	...	...	...	4	...	...	37
Fossland .....	8	7	...	5	...	8	...	...	30
Trail .....	9	11	...	5	...	14	...	...	29
Neison .....	10	2	...	1	1	12	1	...	17
Perseverance .....	11	3	3	6	...	10	1	...	59
Deita .....	12	1	...	1	...	1	1	...	20
Leiser .....	13	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	15
Cloverdale .....	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
Vernon .....	15	...	...	2	...	4	...	...	12
Maple Leaf .....	16	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	21
Enderby .....	17	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	9
Kelowna .....	18	6	...	...	...	...	1	...	18
Grand Lodge .....	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4
		104	5	79	11	132	5	1	770

**EXHIBIT H.**

List of Supplies in Stock January 1st, 1900.

290	Beneficiary Certificate Blanks.....	
1,000	Medical application blanks .....	
800	Constitutions .....	\$ 8 00
42	Ceremonials .....	8 40
12	Rituals.....	12 00
100	Ode cards .....	2 00
70	Final cards .....	1 00
45	Clearance cards .....	9 00
12	Beneficiary registers .....	12 00
110	Semi-Annual Report blanks .....	6 60
2	Digests .....	3 50
12	Receiver's receipt books .....	4 80
6	Receiver's account books .....	9 00
40	Financier's receipt books.....	16 00
2	Financier's assessment books.....	2 00
6	Members' roll books.....	6 00
15	Travelling card books .....	3 75
30	Warrant books .....	12 00
1	Set Officers' badges .....	12 00
2 dozen	Members' badges .....	20 00
		\$148 05

**AVERAGE AGE OF EXHIBIT.**

For the Year 1899.

- Average age of members admitted during the year, 32 years.
- Average age of members who died during the year, 53 years 6 months.
- Average age of members withdrawn during the year, 41 years.
- Average age of present membership, 41 years 75-100.



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 Dec. 31, '99  
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## GRAND RECEIVER'S REPORT.

Office of Grand Receiver, A. O. U. W.,

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 31st, 1899.

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

BRETHREN:—I herewith submit my report to date for your consideration. The statement also covers the time from 1st of January to the 25th of February, 1900. See Grand Recorder's report for further details. All of which is respectfully submitted.

In C., H. and P.,

R. T. WILLIAMS,  
Grand Receiver.

DATE 1899.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
Jan. 1	Balance Bgt. Forw'd.		\$372 74	\$924 06	
" 6	Rec'd G. Recorder . \$315	\$ 4 50		481 27	
" 6	Paid warrant . . . . . 465		23 27		
" 6	" " . . . . . 463		53 00		
" 6	" " . . . . . 464		5 00		
" 14	Rec'd G. Recorder . . 316	192 25		664 82	
" 16	" " " . . . . . 317	22 50		1,071 24	
" 16	Paid warrant . . . . . 461		81 50		
" 16	" " . . . . . 466		2 00		
" 16	" " . . . . . 462		12 50		
" 24	Rec'd G. Recorder . . 318	222 12		1,097 56	
" 28	" " " . . . . . 319	291 25		104 16	
Feb. 8	" " " . . . . . 320	160 57		402 08	
" 14	" " " . . . . . 321			798 12	
" 18	" " " . . . . . 322			361 74	
Jan. 27	Paid warrant . . . . . 467		9 90		
" 27	" " . . . . . 82				2,000 00
" 30	" " . . . . . 83				2,000 00
Feb. 4	" " . . . . . 468		22 00		
" 17	" " . . . . . 471		14 10		
" 17	" " . . . . . 84				2,000 00
" 22	Rec'd G. Recorder . . 323	1 50		303 82	
" 24	" " " . . . . . 324	21 25		53 16	
" 24	Paid warrant . . . . . 470		5 00		
" 24	" " . . . . . 469		50 00		
March 1	" " . . . . . 472		20 00		
" 1	" " . . . . . 473		54 30		
" 1	Rec'd G. Recorder . . 325	22 50		34 60	
" 4	" " " . . . . . 326	212 45		41 97	
" 6	Paid warrant . . . . . 474		59 20		
" 8	Rec'd G. Recorder . . 327			72 46	
" 10	" " " . . . . . 328	147 65		894 08	
" 11	Paid warrant . . . . . 476		301 45		
	Carried forward . . . . .	\$1298 54	\$1085 96	\$7305 14	\$6000 00

DATE 1899.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance Bgt. Forw'd..	\$1298 54	\$1085 96	\$7305 14	\$6000 00
March 11	Paid warrant.....	\$475	20 00		
" 20	" " " ".....	477	12 00		
" 22	Rec'd G. Recorder ..	329		715 85	
" 22	Paid warrant.....	478			60 30
" 28	" " " ".....	479	20 00		
" 29	" " " ".....	481	55 35		
" 30	" " " ".....	482	5 00		
April 4	" " " ".....	86-86			2,000 00
" 5	Rec'd G. Recorder..	330	21 00	60 85	
" 5	Paid " " ".....	483	13 50		
" 15	" " " ".....	480	5 00		
" 14	Rec'd " " ".....	331	11 25	547 49	
" 21	" " " ".....		30 50	1,146 28	
" 23	Paid warrant.....	485			15 29
May 9	Rec'd G. Recorder..	333	22 06	101 77	
" 9	Paid warrant.....	486	10 00		
" 9	" " " ".....	487	54 45		
" 9	" " " ".....	488	5 00		
" 9	" " " ".....	489	87 50		
" 9	" " " ".....	484			244 46
" 9	" " " ".....	490	40 00		
" 12	" " " ".....	491			363 50
" 12	Rec'd G. Recorder..	334		1,329 94	
" 19	" " " ".....	335		683 03	
" 22	" " " ".....	336		597 27	
" 29	Paid warrant.....	492	13 00		
" 29	" " " ".....	493	10 50		
" 29	" " " ".....	494	2 40		
" 29	" " " ".....	495	50 00		
" 31	" " " ".....	87			2,000 00
" 31	" " " ".....	496	5 00		
June 2	Rec'd G. Recorder..	337	37 80	25 91	
" 12	" " " ".....	338		437 58	
" 17	" " " ".....	339		641 48	
" 21	" " " ".....	340	19 68	361 27	
" 22	" " " ".....	341		227 92	
" 23	Paid " " ".....	88			2,000 00
" 24	Rec'd " " ".....	342		28 56	
July 6	" " " ".....	342 50	5 00	304 89	
" 13	" " " ".....	343	103 75	598 26	
" 13	Paid warrant.....	498	5 00		
" 13	" " " ".....	497	10 00		
" 13	" " " ".....	499	50 00		
" 17	" " " ".....	500	15 20		
" 21	Rec'd G. Recorder..	344	168 75	626 95	
" 25	" " " ".....	345	40 50	156 70	
Aug. 4	" " " ".....	346	114 75	58 86	
" 4	" " " ".....	89			2,000 00
	Carried forward .....	\$873 58	\$1574 86	\$15951 00	\$14683 55

DATE 1899.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance Bgt. Forw'd..	\$1873 58	\$1574 86	\$15951 00	\$14683 55
Aug.	4 Paid warrant.....	502	6 20		
"	4 " " .....	503	50 00		
"	4 " " .....	\$504	5 00		
"	12 " " .....	505	19 75		
"	12 Rec'd G. Recorder..	347 18 75		516 41	
"	17 Paid warrant.....	506	58 88		
"	17 Rec'd G. Recorder..	348 187 50		642 99	
"	24 " " " .....	349 15 00		428 81	
"	24 " " " .....	350		179 68	
"	1 Paid warrant.....	501	11 00		
"	28 " " .....	507	13 75		
Sept.	1 " " .....	509	52 80		
"	1 " " .....	508	5 00		
"	2 " " .....	90			2,000 00
"	7 Rec'd G. Recorder..	351		135 27	
"	21 " " " .....	352 31 65		985 30	
"	21 " " " .....	353		446 29	
"	22 Paid warrant.....	91-2-3			2,000 00
"	25 Rec'd G. Recorder..	354		161 85	
"	27 Paid warrant.....	510	14 00		
"	27 " " .....	511	7 75		
"	27 " " .....	512	5 00		
Oct.	2 " " .....	513	50 00		
"	2 " " .....	514	5 00		
"	5 Rec'd G. Recorder..	355 108 00		61 42	
"	11 " " " .....	356		74 30	
"	11 Paid warrant.....	115	106 75		
"	17 Rec'd G. Recorder..	357		939 67	
"	20 " " " .....	358 9 75		263 06	
"	24 " " " .....	359 49 25		323 91	
"	24 " " " .....			28 55	
"	28 Paid warrant.....	517	5 75		
"	28 " " .....	516	10 00		
"	28 " " .....	518	7 50		
Nov.	8 Rec'd G. Recorder.....	6 10		93 75	
"	14 " " " .....	3 35		709 62	
"	20 " " " .....			837 15	
"	1 Paid warrant.....	519	50 00		
"	1 " " .....	520	5 00		
"	21 Rec'd G. Recorder.....			81 30	
"	27 Paid warrant.....	96			2,000 00
"	27 " " .....	521	10 00		
"	27 " " .....	522	5 00		
"	30 " " .....	523	53 35		
Dec.	3 " " .....	95			600 00
"	1 " " .....		50 00		
"	1 " " .....	94			1,400 00
"	11 Rec'd G. Recorder.....	364 1 50		141 15	
	Carried forward .....	\$2299 43	\$2082 34	\$25001 48	\$22683 55

DATE 1899.		GENERAL FUND.		BENEFICIARY FUND.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
	Balance Bgt. Forw'd.	\$2299 43	\$2082 34	\$23001 48	\$22683 55
Dec. 14	Rec'd G. Recorder...	365 66 25		994 09	
" 21	" " "	367 25 00		462 56	
" 23	" " "	368 169 50		114 70	
" 27	Paid warrant	526	10 00		
" 27	" "	525	22 00		
1900.					
Jan. 2	" " "	528	5 00		
" 2	" " "	527	53 00		
" 15	" " "	529	50 00		
" 12	Rec'd G. Recorder...	369 290 25		638 82	
" 17	Paid warrant	97			2,000 00
" 17	Rec'd G. Recorder...	370 240 00		662 64	
" 22	" " "	160 00		398 85	
" 23	" " "	47 50		56 25	
" 25	Paid warrant	531	19 55		
" 25	" " "	532	6 00		
" 29	" " "	533	10 00		
Feb. 2	" " "	534	5 00		
" 2	" " "	535	57 15		
" 6	Rec'd G. Recorder...	372 11 00		341 40	
" 12	" " "	373 30 40		352 13	
" 16	Paid warrant	137	63 46		
" 20	" " "	436	7 35		
" 21	Rec'd G. Recorder...	374 146 97		1,092 09	
" 23	" " "	375		65 15	
" 23	Paid warrant	530	18 00		
		\$3486 30	\$2511 75	\$28180 16	\$24683 55
			974 35		3496 61
	Balance	\$3486 30	\$3486 30	\$28180 16	\$28180 16





## REPORT OF GRAND MEDICAL EXAMINER.

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Office of Grand Medical Examiner,  
New Westminster, B. C. 1st January, 1900.

To the G. M. W., Officers and Members of Grand Lodge:

**BRETHREN:**—I have the honour to submit my annual report for the year ending 31st December, 1899.

The number of applications received was greater than in 1898, but still considerably short of what it was in 1897. A large number were added by the formation of a new Lodge in Victoria. The number of rejections is less, proportionately, than in 1898, being eight against nine for the previous year. The deaths for which assessments were called during the year were eleven, or one less than in 1898. With one exception, all were over 40 years of age, and all, except two, had been connected with the Order for more than six years, which is about the average length of membership. It will be noted that no death occurred by suicide during the year.

The usual tables accompany this report and show in detail the work done during the year.

To the different Grand Lodge Officers, especially the Grand Recorder, I beg to offer my thanks for much kindness and assistance during the year, and

Remain in C. H. & P.

W. A. DeWOLF-SMITH,  
G. M. E.

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TABLE A.

Causes of Rejections for the Year 1899.

Albuminuria .....	I
Asthma .....	I
Bradycardia .....	I
Family History .....	4
Fistula .....	I
	8

TABLE B.

CAUSES OF REJECTIONS FOR THE YEARS 1892-99.

Diseases.	1892 to 1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.	Total.
Albuminuria .....	3	.....	3	1	7
Asthma .....	2	1	.....	1	4
Bad Family History (other than con- sumptive) .....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Bad Physical Condition .....	5	.....	.....	.....	5
Bradycardia .....	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Consumptive History .....	20	3	6	4	33
Discharge from Ears .....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Fistula .....	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Hæmoptysis .....	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Heart Disease .....	8	.....	.....	.....	8
Intemperance .....	2	1	.....	.....	3
Kidney Disease .....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Non-Vaccination .....	1	5	.....	.....	6
Over Age .....	1	1	.....	.....	2
Phtthisis .....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Over Weight .....	3	.....	.....	.....	3
Rheumatic History and Heart Disease ..	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Scrofula and Insanity .....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Syphilis .....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Not recorded .....	2	.....	.....	.....	2
Totals .....	54	13	9	8	84

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 deaths, and length of time in the Order.

No.	Names.	Lodge and Number.	Date of Death.	Age.	Cause of Death.	Time in Order.	
						Y.	M.
1	Clay, H. ....	Vancouver, No 5	1898 Dec. 5	64	Volvulus .....	6	3
2	Draut, J. ....	Victoria, No. 1	1899 Jan. 12	59	Hemorrhage .....	19	2
3	Tierney, W..	Granville, No. 2	March 1	60	Pneumonia .....	11	10
4	Jackson, A. ...	Fraser, No. 3. . .	April 13	56	Lagrippe .....	18	9
5	Hodson, W. . .	Nelson, No. 10.	May 7	44	General Paresis . . .	1	9
6	Glaholm, T. W	Nanaimo, No. 4	June 6	25	Valv. dis. of heart..	12	11
7	Ross, D. H. . .	Victoria, No. 1.	July 20	57	Cancer of kidney..	19	8
8	Ferguson, D..	Nanaimo, No. 4	July 27	60	Typhoid .....	18	2
9	Gunn, J. ....	Fraser, No 3. . .	Aug. 10	36	Powder explosion..	2	6
10	Campbell, J D	Victoria, No. 1.	Oct. 20	67	Cerebral hemor'ge.	18	10

Average age, 54 years.

Average duration of membership, 12 years, 11 months, 24 days.



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 deaths, ages, causes of deaths, and length of time in the Order.

No.	Names.	Lodge and No.	Date.	Age.	Disease.	Time in Order.	
						Y.	M.
1892							
1	Lewis, J. B. ....	Nanaimo, No. 4	May 18	51	Apoplexy .....	3	6
2	Smith, J. ....	Vancouver, 5..	Sept. 1	53	Bright's Disease ..	10	
3	Garnet, E. ....	Victoria, 1....	Oct. 5	36	Pneumonia.....	11	3
4	Elford, W. ....	Sullivan, 6....	" 5	44	Suicide.....		6
1893							
5	Laidlaw, J. A. .	Beaver, 3.....	Jan. 20	53	Peritonitis .....	10	7
6	Becker, K. J. F.	Victoria, 1....	Mar. 13	52	Heart Disease .....	13	4
7	Dunn, R. ....	Nanaimo, 4....	April 14	43	Softening of brain..	2	7
8	Kirk, A. ....	Western Star, 7	June 2	41	Suicide.....	1	3
9	Woodward, J. .	Delta, 12.....	July 28	39	Apoplexy .....	1	1
10	Steele, W. J. .	Victoria, 1....	Sept. 1	54	Cancer .....	14	1
11	Vermouth, J. .	Sullivan, 6....	Oct. 7	39	Bronchitis .....	1	4
12	Kuhns, C. B. .	Kelowna, 19 ..	Dec. 22	37	Accident .....	1	4
1894							
13	Taylor, W. ....	Granville, 2 ..	Jan. 9	34	Abscess of brain ..	1	5
14	McDonald, D.G.	Western Star, 7	" 14	41	Rupture of Aorta .		11
15	Marwood, F. ....	Enderby, 18 ..	Feb. 14	34	Tubercular meng'ts		9
16	Craig, R. ....	Nanaimo, 4....	May 17	47	Obstruct'n of bow'l	11	6
17	Bland, A. ....	Western Star, 7	July 31	34	Drowned .....	1	9
1895							
18	Adams, F. ....	Sullivan, 6....	Mar. 22	51	Drowned .....	3	1
19	McKinnon, A. .	Vancouver, 5..	May 11	58	Pneumonia.....	12	11
20	VanBramer, J. .	Granville, 2 ..	June 6	64	Senile Marasmus ..	14	11
21	Cohen, J. A. .	Vancouver, 5..	" 18	47	Cerebral meningitis	3	6
22	Rowbotham, A.J	" 5..	Aug. 1	43	Suicide.....	12	11
23	Foster, S. ....	Nanaimo, 4....	Sept. 1	57	Cancer .....	7	9
24	Elliott, H. ....	Fraser, 3.....	Nov. 7	60	Apoplexy .....	15	
25	Smith, D. ....	Nanaimo, 4....	" 27	48	Suicide.....	11	9
1896							
26	Lawrie, N. ....	Vancouver, 5..	Feb. 22	49	Cancer .....	4	5
27	Lindsay, A. ....	Victoria, 1....	Nov. 1	49	Phthisis .....	15	5
28	Craft, W. ....	Vancouver, 5..	" 16	54	Pneumonia .....	12	5
29	Moresby, W. ....	Fraser, 3 .....	" 15	49	Pneumonia.....	16	3
30	Wolfe, M. ....	Nanaimo, 4....	" 20	46	Suicide .....	12	4
31	Moar, J. ....	Vancouver, 5..	Dec. 1	44	Pneumonia.....		9
32	Kirkland, A. ....	Fraser, 3.....	" 3	36	Pneumonia .....	2	10
33	Leiser, G. ....	Victoria, 1....	" 5	40	Pneumonia.....	16	4
34	Griffith, J. W. .	Vancouver, 5..	" 30	44	Suicide.....	14	7

TABLE D.—Continued.

No.	Names.	Lodge and No.	Date.	Age.	Disease.	Time in Order.	
						Y.	M.
1897							
35	Lang, A.....	Victoria, 1 ....	Jan.	9 50	Heart disease ....	16	4
36	Field, E.....	" 1 ....	Feb.	7 42	Phthisis .....	17	4
37	Driscoll, E.....	Vernon, 16....	May	7 49	Heart failure.....	4	6
38	Edmonds, H. V.	Fraser, 3.....	June	11 60	Apoplexy .....	15	7
39	English, M. M..	Fraser, 3.....	"	25 57	Heart disease.....	17	
40	Gleason, M. D..	Vancouver, 5..	Aug.	26 57	Phthisis .....	8	2
41	Caldwell, C. A.	Granville, 2....	Sept.	10 52	Heart disease.....	17	8
42	Berridge, W....	Sullivan, 6....	"	11 53	Abscess of lung....	5	8
43	Erb, L. E.....	Victoria, 1....	Oct.	8 60	Inanition.....	16	1
44	Waters, J. F....	Rossland, 8....	"	24 34	Hæmoptysis .....		11
45	Jewell, H.....	Victoria, 1....	Dec.	16 57	Obstruc'n of bowels	17	2
1898							
46	Lord, F. L.....	Delta, 12.....	Jan.	19 41	Typhoid .....	5	8
47	Rood, J.....	Victoria, 1....	Mar.	6 41	Spinal meningitis .	3	2
48	Hutcheson, J..	" 1....	"	15 61	Pneumonia .....	17	9
49	Clinton, H. F..	Fraser, 3.....	May	2 38	Phthisis .....	2	5
50	Downer, R. L..	Victoria, 1....	"	7 60	Heart disease.....	11	11
51	Sabiston, J....	Nanaimo, 4....	Aug.	14 45	Abdominal abscess	16	7
52	Nightingale, R..	" 4....	"	17 59	R. R. accident ....	10	2
53	Jaegers, J. F..	Victoria, 1....	Sept.	2 47	Cancer .....	3	
54	Brown, C. L..	Persever'nce, 11	"	16 41	Chronic dysentery.	2	10
55	Cain, W. J....	Rossland, 8....	Nov.	1 40	Mine accident ....		7
56	Partridge, J....	Victoria, 1....	"	30 45	Suicide .....	2	4
57	Clay, H.....	Vancouver, 5..	Dec.	6 46	Volvulus .....	6	3
1899							
58	Draut, J.....	Victoria, 1....	Jan.	12 59	Hemorrhage .....	19	2
59	Tiernay, W....	Granville, 2 ...	Mar.	1 60	Pneumonia .....	11	10
60	Jackson, A....	Fraser, 3.....	April	13 56	Lagrippe .....	18	9
61	Hodson, W....	Nelson, 10....	May	7 44	General paresis....	1	9
62	Glaholm, T. W.	Nanaimo, 4....	June	6 55	Valvular disease of heart.....	12	11
63	Ross, D. H....	Victoria, 1....	July	20 57	Cancer of kidney ..	19	8
64	Ferguson, D....	Nanaimo, 4....	"	27 60	Typhoid .....	18	2
65	Gunn, J.....	Fraser, 3.....	Aug.	10 36	Powder explosion..	2	6
66	Campbell, J. D.	Victoria, 1....	Oct.	20 67	Cerebral hemor'age	18	10

Average age, 54 years.

Average duration of membership, 12 years, 10 months, 24 days.

TABLE E.

Showing for the years 1898-1899 the number of applicants, the number of applicants accepted and the number of applicants rejected. Also the average ages of all applicants, and the average ages of accepted and rejected applicants.

Years.	No. of Applicants.	No. of Applicants accepted.	No. of Applicants rejected.	Average age of all Applicants.	Average age of accepted Applicants.	Average age of rejected Applicants.
1892-1896 .....	623	570	53	35.72	35.49	38.58
1897 .....	176	162	14	34.22	34.21	34.28
1898 .....	83	74	9	32.27	32.20	32.07
1899 .....	127	119	8	33.67	33.74	32.75
Totals .....	1009	925	84	34.84	34.71	35.24



TABLE F.

Showing the average duration of membership of deaths occurring at different ages.

Age at Death.	No. of Deaths.	Average duration of Membership.		
		Years.	Months.	Days.
34	4	1	2	15
36	3	5	6	10
37	1	1	4	..
38	1	2	4	17
39	2	1	2	15
40	2	8	5	15
41	5	2	11	18
42	1	17	4	..
43	2	7	9	..
44	4	4	4	22
45	2	9	5	15
46	2	9	3	15
47	3	6	..	..
48	1	11	9	..
49	4	10	1	22
50	1	16	4	..
51	2	3	3	15
52	2	15	6	..
53	3	8	9	..
54	2	13	3	..
55	1	12	11	..
56	1	18	9	..
57	5	14	1	24
58	1	12	11	..
59	2	14	8	..
60	6	14	9	5
61	1	17	9	..
64	1	14	11	..
67	1	18	10	..

## SUMMARY.

Under 30 .....	0
30 to 35 .....	4
35 to 40 .....	9
40 to 45 .....	14
45 to 50 .....	11
50 to 55 .....	10
55 to 60 .....	15
60 to 65 .....	2
65 to 70 .....	1

TABLE G.

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.		
		Years	Mos.	Y.	M.	D.
Abscess (abdominal) .....	1	45	.....	16	7	..
“ (of brain) .....	1	34	.....	1	5	..
“ (of lung) .....	1	58	.....	5	8	6
Accident .....	4	43	6	3	6	22
Apoplexy .....	4	52	6	8	9	15
Bright's Disease .....	1	53	.....	10	..	..
Bronchitis .....	1	39	.....	1	4	..
Cancer .....	5	52	9	9	9	12
Cerebral hemorrhage .....	1	67	.....	18	10	..
Cerebral meningitis .....	1	47	.....	3	6	..
Consumption .....	4	46	6	10	9	10
Drowning .....	2	42	6	2	5	..
Dysentery (chronic) .....	1	41	.....	2	10	11
General paresis .....	1	44	.....	1	9	..
Hæmoptysis .....	1	34	.....	..	11	7
Hemorrhage .....	1	59	.....	19	2	10
Heart disease .....	6	54	4	14	10	10
Heart failure .....	1	49	.....	4	6	..
Inanition .....	1	60	.....	16	1	7
Inflammation of bowels .....	1	53	.....	10	7	..
Lagrippe .....	1	56	.....	18	9	..
Obstruction .....	2	52	.....	14	4	1
Pneumonia .....	9	48	8	11	4	13
Rupture of Aorta .....	1	41	.....	1	11	..
Senile marasmus .....	1	64	.....	14	11	..
Softening of brain .....	1	43	.....	2	7	..
Spinal meningitis .....	1	41	.....	3	1	26
Suicide .....	7	44	7	7	11	9
Tubercular meningitis .....	1	34	.....	..	9	..
Typhoid fever .....	2	50	6	11	11	..
Volvulus .....	1	46	.....	6	3	..





## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Victoria, B.C., March 14th, 1900.

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

BRETHREN:—We have the pleasure of submitting our report of the term ending with this Session of the Grand Lodge..

During the past year, your Committee have met on the 25th of each month, as required by the Grand Lodge Constitution, and on other occasions when it has been deemed necessary.

All accounts which have been paid, have first had the approval of your Committee.

All printing work given out during the year has been tendered for and given to the lowest tenderer.

The condition of the various funds on the 25th of each month has been as follows, viz:—

1899.

March..	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	\$1,060 69
	General Fund on hand .....	180 58
	Relief Call, on hand .....	686 00
April...	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	1,455 56
	General Fund, on hand.....	144 48
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
May....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	1,804 07
	General Fund, overdrawn.....	30 41
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
June....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	1,526 79
	General Fund, overdrawn .....	53 83
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
July....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand, .....	1,213 59
	General Fund, on hand.....	183 97..
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
Aug....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	1,035 34
	General Fund, on hand .....	369 14
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil

Sept....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	764 05
	General Fund, on hand.....	329 24
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
Oct....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand.....	2,454 96
	General Fund, on hand.. .....	302 74
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
Nov....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	176 78
	General Fund, on hand .....	233 94
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
Dec....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	1,889 28
	General Fund, on hand .....	377 84
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
1900.		
Jan.....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	1,645 84
	General Fund, on hand .....	972 59
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil
Feb....	Beneficiary Fund, on hand .....	3,496 61
	General Fund, on hand .....	974 35
	Relief Call, on hand .....	Nil

The following Beneficiary Claims have been carefully considered and ordered paid:—

April 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother Wm. Tierny, of Granville Lodge, No. 2.

May 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother Adam Jackson, of Fraser Lodge, No. 3.

July 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother W. Hodson, of Nelson Lodge, No. 10.

August 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother T. W. Giaholme, of Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4.

September 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother Dixi H. Ross, of Victoria Lodge, No. 1.

October 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother Donald Ferguson, of Nanaimo Lodge, No. 4.

November 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother James Gunn, of Fraser Lodge, No. 3.

December 1st, 1899—Claim for death of Brother John D. Campbell, of Victoria Lodge, No. 1.

January 1st, 1900—Claim for death of Brother James V. Rankin of Fraser Lodge, No. 3.

We took the liberty of drawing the attention of the Grand Lodge at its last Session to the large amounts owing by some Subordinate Lodges, to the Grand Lodge. We are pleased to be able to say, that some improvement has been made in this respect, but there is still room for further reduction in the indebtedness, which we believe could easily be effected by a little extra effort on the part of Subordinate Lodge Officers, and which would be an advantage all round.

It is with much pleasure that we testify to the continued careful and efficient manner in which the books and accounts of the Grand Recorder and Grand Receiver are kept, and which tends to facilitate the labours of your Committee.

We are also pleased to acknowledge the able, painstaking and willing counsel and help, given to your Committee from time to time by the Grand Recorder, thereby rendering the work of your Committee easier, pleasanter and also more efficient than it might otherwise be.

J. E. CHURCH  
ALEX. STEWART,  
WM, SCOWCROFT,  
Committee on Finance



## REPORT OF SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

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

Your Representatives attended the twenty-seventh stated meeting of the Supreme Lodge A. O. U. W., held at Indianapolis, Indiana, June the 13th, 1899. The Session lasted eight days and while a vast amount of legislation was proposed by the various officers and members in attendance, yet a wholesome conservatism prevailed, and prevented the enactment of any doubtful law or radical amendment to the Supreme Constitution.

### LEGAL STATUS.

The subject of our legal status as a fraternal order came up for consideration by report of a special committee which had been appointed at the previous Session of the Supreme Lodge. The committee recommended the incorporation of the Supreme Lodge. In order to present the matter directly before the Supreme Lodge, and while action upon the committee's report was pending. Representative Colvig, of Oregon, moved that the Supreme Lodge be incorporated, which motion, after a long and careful consideration, was adopted. The Committee on Legal Status prepared a form of charter which, after several amendments, was adopted. The matter was then left to the control of the Relief Committee to select some State of the Union in which to file the articles of incorporation. The Supreme Lodge having expressed a preference for Pennsylvania as the home of the Order—provided, that the laws of that state are liberal in the matter of corporations—the Relief Committee will cause a certificate of such incorporation to be filed in each State and Grand Jurisdiction.

### PROHIBITED OCCUPATIONS.

This question was forcibly presented to the Supreme Lodge by the Supreme Master Workman in his annual report, and legislation upon the subject was strongly urged; the matter was referred to a special committee consisting of seven members, which committee did not venture to recommend anything definite on the subject, and it received no further consideration.

### TOTAL DISABILITY FUND.

The Supreme Master Workman also, in his annual report, recommended legislation providing for a Total Disability Fund, which was referred to a special committee consisting of seven members, who in reporting thereon recommended that the Supreme Master's suggestions relative thereto be not adopted; the report of the committee was unanimously adopted without debate.

### SECRET WORK.

The following resolution was adopted, viz.:

"Resolved, That in order to facilitate and promote a more uniform and perfect rendition of the secret work of the Subordinate Lodges, Grand Master Workmen of the different Grand Jurisdictions shall be authorized to place one copy of the secret work in the hands of the Master Workman of every Subordinate Lodge in their Jurisdiction, under such conditions and restrictions as will guard the absolute safety and secrecy of the book.

"Resolved, That the Finance Committee of the Supreme Lodge be directed to make such provisions as will be necessary to carry out the purport of these resolutions."

### MEMORIAL SERVICE.

The Supreme Master in his report recommended that each Grand Lodge set apart one evening of their session for a Memorial Service in honor of departed members and invite the public to attend. This matter was referred to a special committee of seven members, who reported as follows:

"It is recommended that Grand Lodges set apart a portion of each stated meeting for Memorial Service, to be held in memory of those members of the respective Grand Lodge who have died since the preceding stated meeting, under such rules and regulations as they may provide."

### THE RELIEF LAW.

Considerable dissatisfaction was expressed by resolution and otherwise over the present condition of the Supreme Relief Law. Some of the low-rate jurisdictions advanced measures to effect an increase in the maximum number of assessments. The representatives from Kansas favoured raising the maximum number to eighteen classified assessments.

Nebraska asked that they be increased to thirteen, it seeming to be a prevalent idea that there is not enough energetic work done in the high-rate jurisdictions, and in consequence thereof the low-rate jurisdictions, who assume to do good and vigorous work, are heavily taxed to support their unambitious brothers of those jurisdictions that are continuously asking relief. Nothing, however, came of these efforts to increase the maximum number of assessments; it seeming to be the general opinion that it would not be advisable to make such a radical change in our beneficiary assessment laws at this time. However, the whole matter, as to whether the law should be changed or not, and if so, in what manner, has been left to a special committee consisting of seven members, who are to make a careful investigation of the entire subject, and report their conclusions at the next session of the Supreme Lodge.

Amend General Law XIV, by adding new Section No. 48, as follows:

Section 48. "No suit or action shall be brought for the collection of any sum or amount claimed to be due under any beneficiary certificate issued by the Supreme Lodge or held by any member of the Supreme Lodge beneficiary department, or by virtue of any law of the Ancient Order of United Workmen, unless the same shall be commenced within two years from the date of the death of the member named herein."

The following resolution, recommended by the Committee on Good of the Order, was adopted:

"Resolved, That the Supreme Lodge, at its Twenty-seventh Stated Meeting, heartily approves the formation of the Grand Recorder's Association, and desires to call the attention of the Grand Lodges of this Order to the benefits to be derived from the attendance of the Grand Recorders at the meetings of the Supreme Lodge, by which their ideas concerning the methods of work, systems of accounts, expenses of management in the financial and clerical work of the Order are interchanged and the same thereby modified, improved and made uniform throughout all Jurisdictions."

Section 45 of the Supreme Lodge Law was amended permitting Grand Lodges to enact laws allowing applicants for membership to be balloted for under certain restrictions before being examined.

The following resolution was adopted:

"That any Jurisdiction having less than 2,000 members on June 1st,

1899, which shall make a net increase of new members of not less than 500 from said date to June 1st, 1900, shall receive from the Supreme Lodge \$1,000."

**PRESENTATION OF BRITISH FLAG TO THE SUPREME LODGE  
ON BEHALF OF THE REPRESENTATIVES OF  
THE SUPREME JURISDICTION.**

Your Supreme Lodge representatives had the pleasure and honor in conjunction with the other representatives of the Canadian jurisdiction, in presenting to the Supreme Lodge a beautiful British flag of 12x18 feet dimensions.

Past S. M. W. Bro. Kingsley very kindly consented to make the presentation on behalf of the Canadian jurisdiction and in so doing stated briefly that the Canadian jurisdiction in presenting this flag desired to place before the Supreme Lodge a constant reminder of their loyalty to the A. O. U. W. and of their desire to spread its benefactions throughout the whole of the Dominion of Canada.

The Supreme Lodge accepted the flag with a great deal of enthusiasm, and in giving expression to the thanks of the Supreme Lodges, the Sup. M. W. in very fitting terms referred to the friendly relations which exists and which he hoped would continue to exist between the two great nations on the American Continent, and which incidents of the nature of the presentation of the flag would very materially help to nurture.

The Supreme Lodge then ordered that an American flag of similar dimensions be procured by the Supreme Recorder, and that the two flags be displayed at all future Sessions of the Supreme Lodge.

The incident closed by the Supreme Lodge rising and enthusiastically singing the National Anthem, "God Save the Queen," followed by "My Country, 'tis of Thee."

The next Session of the Supreme Lodge will be held at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, commencing on the Second Tuesday in June, 1900.

Fraternally submitted in C. H. & P.

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

The following proposed amendments to the Constitution were upon motion referred to the Committee on Laws:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS.

Amend Beneficiary Rule 2, by striking out all the words after the word "void" in the fifth line, and insert the following:

BENEFICIARY APPLICATION.

I, ..... hereby make application for the Workman degree in..... Lodge, No. ...., located at..... the Province of British Columbia, under the jurisdiction of the

GRAND LODGE OF THE ANCIENT ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN OF BRITISH COLUMBIA,

and do hereby declare and warrant that the statements herein are each and every one of them true. I am not now a member of, and I have not within six months been rejected by, nor made application for membership in this Order; I am not now under suspension, and have never been expelled from any Lodge of this Order.

I reside at No. .... Street, City (or town) of ..... Province of ..... I was born in the town (or city) of ..... County of ..... on the ..... day of ..... 19....., and am between..... and ..... years of age. My occupation is ..... Place of business No..... Street, .....

I direct that, in case of my decease, all benefits to which I may be entitled from the above Order be paid to

[When the beneficiary is a minor, give the age.]

..... } Related to me as { ..... } Residing at { .....



[NOTE.—In case the beneficiary named in the above application is a dependent, the fact of such dependency must be established by affidavit to the satisfaction of the Grand Recorder.]

I am temperate in my habits and have no habit, injury or disease which would tend to shorten my life; am now in good health and able to gain a livelihood. I do hereby warrant the truthfulness of the statements in this application, and consent and agree that any untrue or fraudulent statement or any concealment of facts therein or to or from the Medical Examiner, or my suspension or expulsion from or voluntary severing my connection with the Order, shall waive the rights of myself and my beneficiaries, heirs and all other persons claiming under my Beneficiary Certificate or from my membership in the Order, to all rights, benefits and privileges thereof. I agree for myself, my beneficiaries, heirs and all such other persons, that in any and all questions, controversies, actions and trials in court or otherwise, which shall arise between myself and between them or any of them and the said Grand Lodge and any Subordinate Lodge, it shall be presumed and taken *prima facie* that every officer of such Grand Lodge and every Subordinate Lodge, in the sending of notices and otherwise, has in all respects fully performed his duty and fully complied with all the laws of said lodges, and that the burden of proving failure of such performance or compliance shall rest upon me and said beneficiaries, heirs or other persons; that I will and they shall conform to and abide by and be subject to the Constitution, Laws, Rules and usages of said Grand Lodge and Order, now in force or which may hereafter be adopted by the same. I do also agree that this application shall be, become, and form part of my contract with said Grand Lodge, and that I will, within the time provided in said Laws, Rules and usages, pay all assessments, calls and other demands made upon me, and that should I fail or neglect to so pay or to conform to, abide by or observe any Rule, Law or usage of said Grand Lodge and of the Order, my membership therein, and my medical examination and the agreements and warrants therein contained, and also all rights, benefits and privileges of my beneficiaries, heirs, and such other persons shall cease and terminate; that I have never applied for membership in the A. O. U. W. and been rejected (if rejected applicant shall state when and where.) I further agree that if I shall become an habitual drunkard, or shall hereafter engage in or enter the business of selling liquor at retail, or become a dram-shop keeper or a bar-tender, or if my death shall be caused directly by the use of intoxicating liquors, even if I shall have paid all my regular assessments and other legal demands upon me by said Grand Lodge and the Order, that such action or actions on my part shall render my membership null and void, and terminate all the rights, benefits and privileges of myself and my beneficiaries, heirs, and such other persons therein; and I hereby accept notice that no Subordinate Lodge, or officer thereof, has authority to waive any provision of the Laws or Constitution governing

said lodges, said Grand Lodge or the Order. I further agree that if within two years after the date of my taking or receiving the said Workman degree, my death should occur by suicide, whether sane or insane except in delirium resulting from disease, or while under treatment for insanity, or after a judicial declaration of insanity, then the only sum which shall be paid, or which is payable to my beneficiaries named in my Beneficiary Certificate, shall be the amount which I have paid into the Beneficiary Fund of the Order during the term of my membership.

I agree that the Beneficiary Certificate to be issued to me shall have no binding force whatever until I have received the Workman Degree, and shall not be evidence of membership until countersigned by the Master Workman and Recorder of said..... Lodge, No.....

Dated this ..... day of....., 19.....

.....Applicant.  
Name in full

(Lodge) Attest,  
( Seal.)

.....Recorder.

Amend Beneficiary Rule 13 (Pages 44 and 45), and subsequent amendments so said Rule shall read as follows:

13. Calls and Assesments.—Whenever the Beneficiary Fund in the Grand Lodge Treasury shall have been reduced to a sum less than two thousand dollars, or when, by reason of unavoidable delay in the payment of beneficiary claims, the balance of Beneficiary Fund in the Grand Lodge Treasury would, by the payment of the said claims, be reduced to a sum less than two thousand dollars, then it shall be the duty of the Grand Recorder to call upon the Subordinate Lodges to forward the Beneficiary Fund in their respective Treasuries, and, at the time of making such call.

To make an assessment on each member holding a Beneficiary Certificate according to the following Table of Assessments:

While between the ages of		
18 to 24 inclusive, for \$2,000.....		\$1 20
25 to 29 " " " .....		1 30
30 to 34 " " " .....		1 45
35 to 39 " " " .....		1 65
40 to 44 " " " .....		2 05
45 to 49 " " " .....		2 60
50 and over " " " .....		3 55

On \$1,000 half the above rate.

These rates are to be applied to all members at their attained ages, the members to advance from the lower group to the next higher group, the advance to be made on the first day of January of each and every year, on the basis of the attained ages of the members at that date.

Amend Rule 29 by striking out the word "dollar" in the tenth line, and insert the word "assessment."

Repeal Rule 26 and insert the following:

**RULE 26—RE-INSTAEMENT IN THREE MONTHS.**

Any suspended member who has forfeited all his rights by reason of non-payment of assessments for the Beneficiary Fund, shall be re-instated (if living) at any time within three months from the date of the forfeiture thereof, provided that he shall pay all assessments that have been made during the time, including the assessment for the non-payment of which he was suspended, and the pending assessment, and the date of the receipt of the Financier shall be the date of his re-instatement. At each stated meeting the Financier shall report the names of all members so re-instated since the last regular meeting of the Lodge.

Amend Beneficiary Rule 26 by striking out the word "shall" in the fourth line and substitute the word "may," and strike out the word "time" in the same line and substitute "regular meeting of the Lodge," and expunge the words "of the Lodge" in the eleventh line.

Repeal Sec. 3 of Article 2, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, and substitute the following:

SEO. S. Each application by initiation must be accompanied by the sum of not less than one dollar, if elected, said sum to be applied to payment of the initiation fees. The application shall be read at a stated meeting of the Lodge, entered on the minutes and referred to a committee of three for investigation. It shall be the duty of the committee to enquire and report to the Lodge as to the character and fitness of the applicant to become a member. If the report of the committee is favourable, a ballot shall be taken, and if the balls are all white, or only two black balls appear, the applicant shall be declared elected. No further action shall be had by the Lodge on said application until alter its approval by the Grand Medical Examiner. If the report of the committee be unfavourable, or if there shall appear three or more black

balls, the applicant shall be declared rejected, and no other action on the same application shall take place for the space of six months thereafter.

A favourable ballot may be reconsidered at any time prior to admission.

Repeal Sec. 1 of Article 4, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, and substitute the following:

The initiation fees shall be as follows, which several sums shall be deemed to cover all expenses attendant on admission to the Order in British Columbia, except the local examining physician's fees, which shall be paid by the applicant at the time of his medical examination:

One dollar for the Junior Workman Degree.

One dollar for the Workman Degree.

One dollar for the Beneficiary Certificate.

And fifty cents for the Grand Medical Examiner's fee.

Moved by A. Stewart, seconded by J. E. Church : That the Grand Lodge take recess until 2 p.m.

Carried.

The hour of 2 p.m. having arrived, the Grand Lodge was called to order by Grand Master E. J. Salmon.

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DOCUMENT No. 2.

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

Your Committee on Credentials would further report that they have examined the credentials of Bros. Gilbert McKennell and James S. Knarston, of Nanaimo Lodge No. 4, and find them entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge.

A. M. BULLOCK,

JOHN HILBERT,

Committee on Credentials.

Upon motion the report of the Committee on Credentials was adopted

and the Grand Lodge Degree was conferred on Bros. McKennell and Knarston by P. G. M. W. Budlong, assisted by P. G. M. W. Warren.

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DOCUMENT No. 3.

Hall of Vancouver Lodge, No. 5, A. O. U. W.,  
Victoria, B.C., March, 1900.

To the Grand Master Workman, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia, A. O. U. W.:

Dear Sirs and Brothers:—By instruction of this Lodge I beg to submit for your consideration and action the following statement re late Brother O. Warner, of this Lodge, who died while under suspension.

The Brother became suspended on the twenty-ninth day of last September for the non-payment of Assessment No. 9.

On the fourth day of the following month his wife came to my place of business and paid the arrears and pending assessment.

The next regular meeting of this Lodge took place on the second Friday of October, which was the thirteenth day of the month.

In the meantime Bro. Warner died, I believe from the result of an accident, consequently he was not re-instated by a vote of the Lodge as required by our laws.

Bro. Warren joined the Order in June, 1882, as a charter member of this Lodge, and has paid in since that time about \$534.00, \$200.00 of which he has paid into the jurisdiction of British Columbia.

In conclusion I respectfully submit that this unfortunate occurrence is one to which we are exposed every time an assessment is levied, and the amending of our laws governing re-instatement, which is to be submitted for your consideration, is, as far as I can see, the only method of avoiding a recurrence.

I remain,

Fraternally yours,

W. JACKSON,  
Financier.

Referred to the Committee on Good of the Order.

## DOCUMENT No. 4.

To the Grand Master Workman and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W., of British Columbia.:

We, your Committee on Distribution, beg to submit the following report:

1.—That part of the Grand Master Workman's report referring to the "Washington Workman" we refer to the Committee on Laws.

2.—The part relating to Nelson and Banner Lodges, and the paragraphs relating to the valuable services of Bro. Church; the extension of the Order; the official visits of the G. M. W.; the war in South Africa; memorial services; manner of levying assessments, and place of holding meeting of Grand Lodge, we refer to the Committee on Good of the Order.

The reports of the Grand Recorder and Grand Receiver we refer to the Committee on Finance. The report of the Committee on Finance we refer to the Grand Lodge for its consideration.

The report of the Grand Medical Examiner and the report of the Supreme Lodge Representatives we refer to the Committee on Good of the Order.

(Signed) W. A. DeWOLF SMITH,  
S. F. McINTOSH,  
F. L. BUDLONG,  
Committee on Distribution.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

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 DOCUMENT No. 5.

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

Dear Sirs and Brothers:—Whereas Assessment No. 9 was issued on the 1st day of September, 1899, and was therefore payable in strict accordance with the law not later than the 28th day of that month, and

Whereas Bro. Orlando Warner, a member of Vancouver Lodge No.

5, paid the said assessment on the 4th day of October, 1899, six days after the time allowed by law and before he could be re-instated by the Lodge, and

Whereas Bro. Warner has been declared suspended at the time of his death and according to the interpretation of our laws deprived of the benefits of the Order, and

Whereas Bro. Warner left behind him a widow of advanced years, practically without any means of subsistence,

Therefore, we pray the Grand Lodge of British Columbia to take such steps in relieving of such distress as it may deem expedient.

C. W. KIRK,

PHIL R. SMITH.

Referred to Committee on Good of the Order.

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DOCUMENT No. 6.

To the Grand Master Workman, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W.:

In view of the comparatively slow growth of the membership of the A. O. U. W. as compared with the increase of population in British Columbia and the apathy of many of the Lodges, I think there is much need of some well directed effort to procure new members, and also new lodges where desirable. I therefore beg to move that a suitable man be employed by this Grand Lodge to do this work and that he be paid by this Grand Lodge for his services.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. LEES,

J. E. CHURCH.

Upon motion Document No. 6 was adopted.

## DOCUMENT No. 7.

I beg to move that the Grand Organizer be appointed by this Grand Lodge before the close of this meeting.

(Signed) F. L. BUDLONG,  
R. H. MACAULEY.

The following amendment was moved to Document No. 7: That the appointment of a Grand Organizer be left to the Executive of the Grand Lodge.

(Signed) FRANK HIGGINS,  
F. W. WELSH.

Upon motion the amendment was adopted.

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DOCUMENT No. 8.

Resolved: That the sum of \$1,000, if available, be placed to the disposal of the Grand Master Workman and the Committee on Finance for the purpose of organizing and placing the Order on a firmer footing numerically, and the best means of extending the order be left to their discretion.

FRANK HIGGINS,  
F. W. WELSH.

The resolution was adopted.

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DOCUMENT No. 9.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

To the Grand Lodge, A. O. U. W..

Your Committee having examined the reports of the Grand Recorder



and Grand Receiver as submitted to the Grand Lodge, respectfully recommend their adoption with the printer's errors corrected.

J. E. CHURCH,  
A. STEWART,  
WM. SCOWCROFT.

The report of the committee was adopted.

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DOCUMENT No. 10.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER.

Your committee beg to report on that portion of the G. M. W.'s report referred to them re Banner Lodge. That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be extended to Bro. J. E. Church for his magnificent work in connection with the organization of the above Lodge.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
S. E. SIDDELL,  
FRANK HIGGINS,

The report of the Committee was adopted.

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DOCUMENT No. 11.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER  
RE NELSON LODGE.

Your Committee would recommend that steps be taken by the Executive of the Grand Lodge to put said Lodge on a more satisfactory basis.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. E. SIDDELL,

The report of the Committee was adopted.

## DOCUMENT NO. 12.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER  
RE REPORT OF SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

Your Committee recommend that this report be adopted and the Supreme Representatives thanked for their painstaking efforts.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. E. SIDDELL.

Report adopted.

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## DOCUMENT NO. 13.

Your Committee on Good of the Order to whom was referred the case of the late Orlando Warner beg to report that having fully considered the facts of this case, are of the opinion that no liability for this claim can be entertained by this Grand Lodge. We would, however, recommend to this Grand Lodge that in view of the lamentable circumstances of the case, that such steps be taken at this Session of this Grand Lodge as may be deemed necessary to pay the beneficiary of our late Brother the full amount of his Beneficiary Certificate.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. E. SIDDELL,

The report of the Committee was adopted.

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## DOCUMENT NO. 14.

Resolved: That further discussion on the Warner case be deferred

until the first business after the reading of the minutes on Thursday morning.

(Signed) A. E. WOODS,  
J. E. CHURCH.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion the Grand Lodge took recess until 8 p.m.

The hour of 8 p.m. having arrived the Grand Lodge was called to order, Grand Master Workman E. J. Salmon presiding.

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DOCUMENT No. 15.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER  
ON THE FOLLOWING SUGGESTIONS OF THE GRAND  
MASTER WORKMAN.

I am of the opinion that for the first six months in each fiscal year assessments for the Beneficiary Fund should be issued whether there be a death or not.

Your Committee would recommend that Beneficiary Rule No. 13 be so amended as to give the Committee on Finance power to carry out said suggestion.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. E. SIDDELL,

The report of the Committee was adopted, and instructions given to the Committee on Laws to amend the Constitution to comply with the recommendation.

## DOCUMENT No. 16.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER  
RE OFFICIAL VISITS OF THE GRAND MASTER  
WORKMAN.

Your Committee would recommend that the Grand Master Workman be requested to use his best endeavours to visit as many Lodges as possible during the coming year.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. E. SIDDELL,

The report of the Committee was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Laws re proposed amendments to the Constitution was read and laid over until next sitting of the Grand Lodge.

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DOCUMENT No. 17.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

Your Committee on Laws to whom was referred that portion of the G. M. W.'s report referring to the "Washington Workman" beg to recommend that his action in the premises be approved.

(Signed) A. E. WOODS,  
H. HOY.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

## DOCUMENT No. 18.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GOOD OF THE ORDER  
RE REPORT OF THE GRAND MEDICAL EXAMINER.

Your Committee recommend that the report of the Grand Medical Examiner be adopted.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. E. SIDDELL,

The report of the Committee was adopted.

Moved by A. E. Woods, seconded by J. E. Church, and carried: That Document No. 14 be re-considered.

It was then moved and seconded that the Warner case be now taken up.

The motion carried.

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DOCUMENT No. 19.

Resolved: That the Grand Master Workman be empowered to issue an official circular setting forth the facts of the case re the suspension and death of the late O. Warner, said circular to be sent to the members of this jurisdiction through the Subordinate Lodges, requesting a voluntary contribution of \$2.50 from each member in aid of the widow and daughter of the late Orlando Warner.

(Signed) JOHN HILBERT,  
A. E. WOODS.

The resolution was adopted.

## DOCUMENT NO. 20.

Resolved: That in view of the destitute circumstances of Mrs. O. Warner that the sum of \$200 be forthwith advanced by way of a loan from the General Fund of the Grand Lodge to Mrs. Warner, the said sum to be paid into the General Fund of the Grand Lodge from the money arising from the call made in this case.

(Signed) FRANK HIGGINS,  
A. E. WOODS.

The resolution was adopted.

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DOCUMENT NO. 21.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

Your Committee on Appeals beg leave to recommend that the action of the Grand Master Workman on the appeal re George Winters' re-instatement be sustained.

(Signed) GEORGE ADAMS,  
A. E. LEES.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

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DOCUMENT NO. 22.

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

(Signed) J. E. CHURCH,  
A. STEWART,  
WM SCOWCROFT.

The resolution was adopted.

## DOCUMENT NO. 23.

Resolved: That the Finance Committee be requested to look into the matter of salaries paid Grand Lodge Officers and report to the Grand Lodge any changes they may recommend to be made in same.

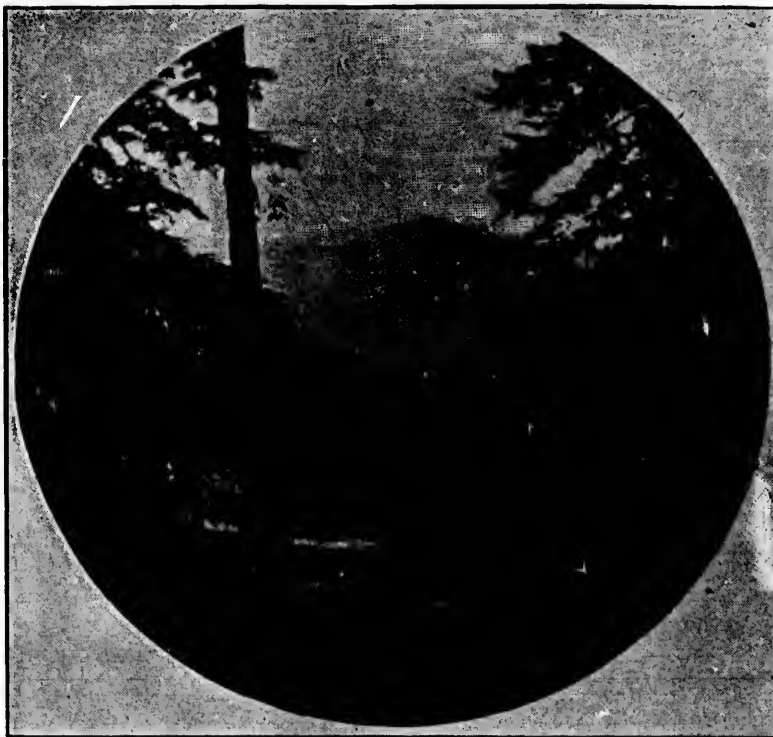
(Signed) A. E. WOODS,

A. E. LEES.

The resolution was adopted.

It was moved and seconded that the Grand Lodge do now adjourn until to-morrow morning.

Carried.



## SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 9:45 a.m., Grand Master E. J. Salmon presiding.

The roll of Officers and Representatives was called.

The minutes of the previous day's session were read, and upon motion, adopted.

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### DOCUMENT No. 24.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

Your Committee on Credentials beg to report that they have examined the credentials of Bro. Wm. Jackson, of Vancouver Lodge No. 5, and find him entitled to a seat in this Grand Lodge.

(Signed) JOHN HILBERT,  
A. M. BULLOCK.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was adopted and Bro. Jackson took his seat in the Grand Lodge.

Upon motion the report of the Grand Master Workman was adopted as a whole.

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### DOCUMENT No. 25.

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee instructed to report re officers' salaries beg to recommend as follows:



Grand Recorder, \$75.00 per month.

Grand Receiver, \$50.00 for the year.

Committee on Finance, \$50.00 for the year.

(Signed) J. E. CHURCH,

A. STWART,

WM. SCOWCROFT.

The report of the Committee on Finance was adopted.

Moved by A. E. Woods, seconded by J. E. Church: That the nomination and election of officers be the first order of business for the afternoon session.

Carried.

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DOCUMENT NO. 26.

Moved by A. E. Lees, seconded by J. D. Warren: That whereas an attempt is being made to organize a school for deaf and dumb children in British Columbia and the lady who has undertaken the work depends in a great measure upon voluntary subscriptions for its support. We, the Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W., desire to show our appreciation of such a worthy object by donating ten dollars (\$10) to the said school from our General Fund.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

Moved by A. Stewart, seconded by Wm. Scowcroft: That a warrant be drawn on the General Fund for \$295.75 for the expenses of this Session of the Grand Lodge.

Carried.

## DOCUMENT No. 27.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

Your Committee on Laws to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Committee on Good of the Order dealing with the G. M. W.'s suggestion to levy regular monthly assessments for the first six months of each year, report as follows:

That Beneficiary Rule 13 be amended by adding after the word "Treasurers," (third line from top of page 45) the words "Provided there shall be levied one regular assessment for each of the first six months of the fiscal year, whether the death rate require the issue of such assessment or not."

And that Beneficiary Rules 14 and 15 be amended by adding after the word "deaths," in the fourth line, the words "if any".

(Signed) A. E. WOODS,

H. HOY.

The report of the Committee on Laws was adopted.

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DOCUMENT No. 28.

## REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAWS.

Your Committee on Laws to whom was referred the proposed amendments to the Constitution beg to report as follows:

1. That the proposed amendment to Beneficiary Rule 2 be adopted.
2. That the proposed amendment to Beneficiary Rule 13, page 44, and 45, be approved.
3. That the proposed amendment to Beneficiary Rule 29 be approved.
4. That the proposed amendment to Beneficiary Rule 26 be approved.

5. That the further proposed amendment to Beneficiary Rule 26 be not approved.

6. That the proposed amendments to Sec. 3, Art. 2, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, be approved.

7. That the proposed amendments to Sec. 1, Art. 4, Subordinate Lodge Constitution, be further amended by inserting between the words "fees, and shall," the words "to chartered Lodges."

Upon motion Document No. 28 was ordered to be dealt with seriatum.

Clauses 1 to 6, inclusive, were adopted.

Clause 7 was adopted as amended.

Upon motion the report of the Committee on Laws (Document No. 28) as a whole was adopted.

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

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 1:45 p.m., the Grand Master Workman presiding.

The special order of business, the election of officers, was then proceeded with.

The Grand Master Workman appointed Brothers John Hilbert and S. F. McIntosh scrutineers.

The following Grand Lodge Officers were elected by acclamation:

George Adams—Grand Master Workman.

Frank Higgins—Grand Foreman.

F. W. Welsh—Grand Overseer.

J. T. McIlmoyl—Grand Recorder.

R. T. Williams—Grand Receiver.

W. A. DeWolf Smith—Grand Medical Examiner.

J. D. Warren, John Hilbert, A. M. Bullock—Grand Trustees.

The following nominations were made for Representatives to the Supreme Lodge: E. J. Salmon, F. L. Budlong, R. T. Williams, H. Hoy, A. Stewart, A. E. Woods, J. E. Church, J. T. McIlmoyl.

Brothers Stewart and Church declined to accept the nomination on account of important private business.

The ballot was spread for the remaining six candidates, and resulted in the election of Bros. McIlmoyl, Woods and Salmon.

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DOCUMENT No. 29.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the proposed donation of \$10.00 to the school for deaf and dumb children have duly considered the same, and recommend that said amount be donated.

(Signed) J. E. CHURCH,  
A. STEWART,  
WM. SCOWCROFT.

The report of the Committee was adopted.

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DOCUMENT No. 30.

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE FOR CURRENT YEAR.

Salary of Grand Recorder . . . . .	\$ 900 00
Salary of Grand Receiver . . . . .	50 00
Salary of Committee on Finance . . . . .	50 00
Office rent . . . . .	75 00
Per capita tax to Supreme Lodge . . . . .	125 00
Session of Grand Lodge . . . . .	400 00
Printing and Stationery . . . . .	200 00
Expenses of Grand Organizer . . . . .	1,000 00
Miscellaneous . . . . .	100 00
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	\$2,900 00

We would recommend that the per capita tax remain at \$2.50.

J. E. CHURCH,

A. STEWART,

A. SCOWCROFT,

Committee on Finance.

Estimate approved.

Nominations were made for place of holding the next Session of the Grand Lodge.

The cities of Nanaimo, New Westminster, Vancouver and Victoria were placed in nomination.

On the first ballot no election was had. Nanaimo and New Westminster were withdrawn and the ballot spread for Vancouver and Victoria, resulting in the election of Vancouver.

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DOCUMENT No. 31.

Resolved: That the thanks of this meeting of Grand Lodge Officers and Representatives be and is hereby accorded to Bro. A. M. Bullock for his efficient services as assistant to the Grand Recorder during this Session of the Grand Lodge.

(Signed) A. STEWART,

WM. SCOWCROFT.

The resolution was adopted.

The Grand Lodge Officers were installed by the Representative of the Supreme Master Workman, Bro. Wm. Colvig, assisted by Brothers J. E. Church and J. D. Warren.

## DOCUMENT NO. 32.

Resolved: That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to the Representative of the Supreme Master Workman, Bro. Wm. Colvig, for his valuable advice and assistance to this Grand Lodge during the present Session.

(Signed) F. W. WELSH,  
F. L. BUDLONG.

The resolution was adopted.

The Grand Master Workman announced the following standing committees:

Committee on Finance—J. E. Church, A. Stewart, Wm. Scowcroft.

Committee on Laws—A. E. Woods, H. Hoy, T. W. Kerr.

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 DOCUMENT NO. 33.

Resolved: That this Grand Lodge donate the sum of \$75.00 from the General Fund to each new Lodge that may be organized during the coming year.

(Signed) J. E. CHURCH,  
A. STEWART,  
WM. SCOWCROFT.

The resolution was adopted.

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 DOCUMENT NO. 34.

Resolved: That the Representatives to the Supreme Lodge be requested to move in the matter of changing the law to the effect that Subordinate Lodges shall meet at least once a month.

(Signed) FRANK HIGGINS,  
S. SIDDELL.

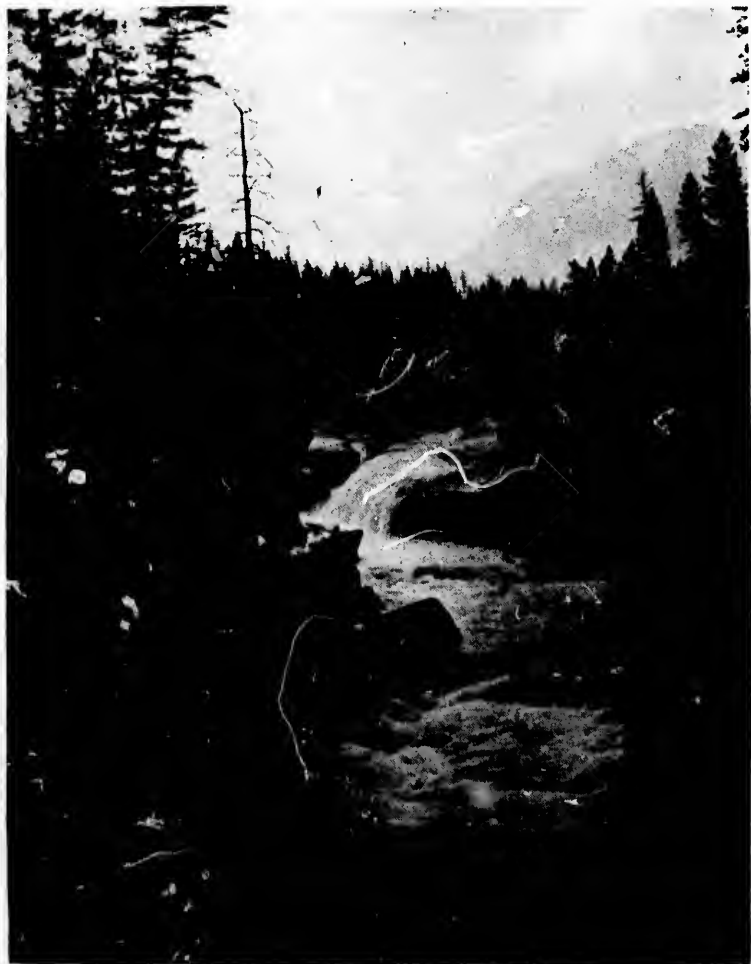
The resolution was adopted.

The minutes of the second day's proceedings were read and upon motion approved.

The Grand Lodge then adjourned to meet in the City of Vancouver on the second Wednesday in March, 1901.

J. T. McILMOYL,

Grand Recorder.



**In Memoriam.**

**Henry Clay,**

December 6th, 1898.

Vancouver Lodge No. 5, Victoria

**John Draut,**

January 12th, 1899,

Victoria Lodge No. 1, Victoria.

**William Tierney,**

March 1st, 1899,

Granville Lodge No. 2, Vancouver.

**Adam Jackson,**

April 13th, 1899.

Fraser Lodge No. 3, New Westminster.

**Wm. Hodson,**

May 7th, 1899,

Nelson Lodge No. 10, Nelson.

**T. W. Glaholm.**

June 6th, 1899,

Nanaimo Lodge No. 4, Nanaimo.

**Dixie H. Ross,**

July 20th, 1899,

Victoria Lodge No. 1, Victoria.



**In Memoriam.**

**Donald Ferguson,**

July 27th, 1899,  
Nanaimo Lodge No. 4, Nanaimo.

**James Gunn.**

August 16th, 1899,  
Fraser Lodge No. 3, New Westminster.

**John D. Campbell,**

October 20th, 1899,  
Victoria Lodge No. 1, Victoria.

**James U. Rankin,**

October 22nd, 1899,  
Fraser Lodge No. 3, New Westminster.



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E. J. Salmon, Past Grand Master Workman..	Western Star Lodge No. 7		
George Adams, Grand Master Workman.....	Fraser	" "	3
Frank Higgins, Grand Foreman.....	Banner	" "	6
F. W. Welsh, Grand Overseer.....	Perseverance	" "	11
J. T. McIlmoyl, Grand Recorder.....	Vancouver	" "	5
R. T. Williams, Grand Receiver.....	Victoria	" "	1
W. A. DeWolf Smith, Grand Medical Examiner....	Fraser	" "	3

**GRAND TRUSTEES:**

J. D. Warren,	John Hilbert,	A. M. Bullock.
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**SUPREME LODGE REPRESENTATIVES:**

J. T. McIlmoyl,	A. F. Woods,	E. J. Salmon.
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**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:**

J. E. Church,	A. Stewart,	Wm. Scowcroft.
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**COMMITTEE ON LAWS.**

A. E. Woods,	H. Hoy,	T. W. Kerr.
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## LODGE DIRECTORY.

NAME OF LODGE.	NO.	RECORDER.	ADDRESS.
Victoria.....	1	Robert Dunn.....	Victoria, B.C.
Granville.....	2	A. M. Bullock... ..	Vancouver, B.C.
Fraser.....	3	C. S. Corrigan.....	N. Westminster, B.C.
Nanaimo.....	4	George Thomson.....	Nanaimo, B.C.
Vancouver.....	5	H. C. Edwards.....	Victoria, B.C.
Banner.....	6	J. E. Cowan.....	Victoria, B.C.
Western Star.....	7	F. N. E. Shakespeare..	Victoria, B.C.
Rossland.....	8	R. Desmond.....	Rossland, B.C.
Trail.....	9	W. B. Tower.....	Trail, B.C.
Nelson.....	10	Fred J. Squire.....	Nelson, B.C.
Perseverance.....	11	F. L. Budlong.....	Nancouver, B.C.
Delta.....	12	N. McDiarmid.....	Ladner, B.C.
Leiser.....	13	J. A. Halliday.....	Comox, B.C.
Cloverdale.....	14	J. I. Breen.....	Cloverdale, B.C.
Vernon.....	16	W. C. Ponnd.....	Vernon, B.C.
Maple Leaf.....	17	J. J. Wilson.....	Port Hammond, B.C.
Enderby.....	18	S. Bowell.....	Enderby, B.C.
Kelowna.....	19	John J. Subbs.....	Kelowna, B.C.

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A. Stewart . . . . .	\$ 5 00
E. J. Salmon . . . . .	5 00
J. T. McMoyl . . . . .	5 00
R. T. Williams . . . . .	5 00
W. A. DeWolf Smith . . . . .	12 70
F. L. Budlong . . . . .	12 00
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A. M. Bullock . . . . .	12 00
John Hilbert . . . . .	10 00
A. E. Woods . . . . .	12 70
J. E. Church . . . . .	5 00
Wm. Scowcroft . . . . .	5 00
D. C. Webber . . . . .	12 00
H. Hoy . . . . .	12 70
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A. E. Lees . . . . .	12 00
A. H. McBride . . . . .	12 70
G. McKinnell . . . . .	10 00
S. F. McIntosh . . . . .	5 00
Phil R. Smith . . . . .	5 00
C. W. Kirk . . . . .	5 00
S. E. Siddell . . . . .	65 00
F. W. Welsh . . . . .	12 00
T. W. Kerr . . . . .	13 25
H. Ferguson . . . . .	14 00
J. D. Warren, hall rent . . . . .	10 00

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## PRICE LIST OF SUPPLIES TO SUBORDINATE LODGES.

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Ceremonials.. . . . .	50
Clearance Cards.. . . . .	20
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Medical Examination Reports.. . . . .	02
Officer Blank Bonds .. . . . .	02
Constitutions .. . . . .	10
Application for Final Card.. . . . .	05
Financier's Report Book.. . . . .	1 50
Beneficiary Certificate Book .. . . . .	1 00
Roll Book.. . . . .	75
Receiver's Receipt Book.. . . . .	40
Financier's Receipt Book.. . . . .	40
Warrant Book.. . . . .	40
Receiver's Cash Book .. . . . .	1 00
Ledger.. . . . .	
Record Book.. . . . .	1 75
Re-instatement Book .. . . . .	50
Altar Jewels .. . . . .	3 00
Officers' Badges, per set of 10.. . . . .	12 00
Members' Badges, per dozen .. . . . .	10 00
P. M. W. Badges .. . . . .	2 00
Officers' Badges.. . . . .	1 25
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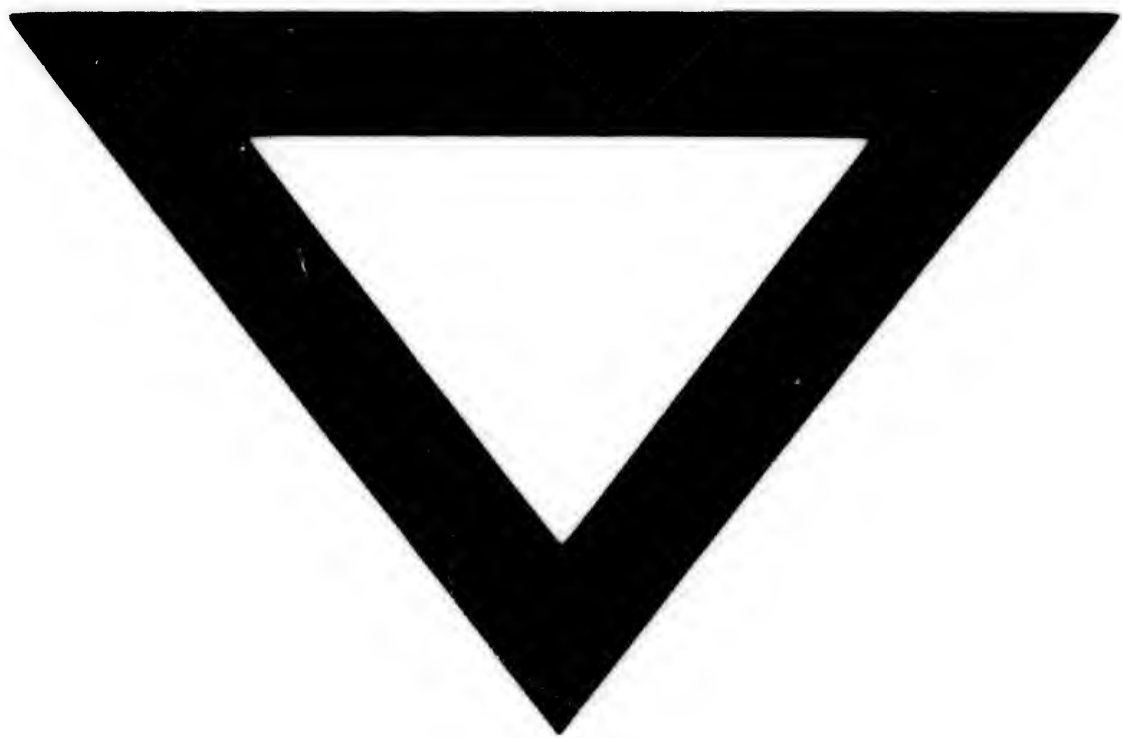
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wers, who readily executed his commands. Pursued, they contrived sharp knives, sharp at the ends, used in the ship, and also employed their raw hides, of which they made a net, and in fixing to each other, they fired shot of the small calibre, and most mischievous effect, ringing round the head, and extremely expert, being seen in these things were in their scheme was perhaps committed upon Orellana and the officers, and being known to be a brutal fellow, and a pretence of disobedience, and quite stupidly increased his thirst for blood, so he and his followers resolved in the following manner.

At many of the principal officers, indulging in the freshness of the night, and manned with its companions, having prepared their trowsers and other articles, and came all together on the door of the great cabin, and their presumption, and when Orellana spoke to his companions, and the chief and six readily quitting the quarter-deck, had taken possession of the hands hollow to his ears, and the cry of the savages, said to be the hideous noise of the massacre; upon which he and brandished their pistols, and the six who were on the deck, fell immediately on the

the Spaniards with whom they were intermingled, and in a very short space laid forty of them at their feet, above twenty of whom were killed on the spot, and the rest disabled.

In the beginning of the tumult, many of the officers rushed into the great cabin, where they put out the lights and barricaded the door; while of the others, who had escaped the first fury of the Indians, some endeavoured to escape along the gangways to the fore-castle, where the Indians, placed there on purpose, stabbed the greater part of them as they attempted to pass, or forced them off the gangways into the waste of the ship, which was filled with live cattle. Some threw themselves voluntarily over the barricades into the waste, and thought themselves fortunate to lie concealed among the cattle; but the greatest part escaped up the main-shrouds, and took shelter in the tops and rigging of the ship. Although the Indians only attacked the quarter-deck, yet the watch in the fore-castle, finding their communication cut off, and terrified by a few of the wounded who had been able to force their passage, and not knowing either who were their enemies, or what were their numbers, they also gave all over for lost, and in great confusion ran up into the rigging of the fore-mast and boltsprit.

Thus these eleven Indians, with a resolution perhaps without example, possessed themselves almost in an instant of the quarter-deck of a ship mounting sixty-six guns, and manned by near five hundred hands, and even continued in peaceable possession of this part for some time. During a considerable space, the officers in the great cabin, among whom were Pizarro and Mindinuetta, the crew between decks, and those who had escaped into the tops and rigging, were merely anxious for their own safety, and were incapable of forming any project for suppressing the insurrection and recovering the possession of the ship. The yells of the Indians, the groans of the wounded, and the confused clamours of the crew, all heightened by the darkness of the night, had at first greatly magnified the danger, and filled them with imaginary terrors. The Spaniards were sensible of the dissatisfaction of their impressed hands, and were conscious of their barbarity to their prisoners, wherefore they concluded that the conspiracy was general, and considered their own destruction as infallible; insomuch, that some are said to have designed to leap into the sea, but were prevented by their companions.

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wind almost perpetually prevails in the southern part of the Pacific Ocean, and this current of air being interrupted by the enormously high range of the Andes, and by the mountains on Terra del Fuego, which together bar up the whole country as far south as Cape Horn, a part only of the wind can force its way over the top of these prodigious precipices, while the rest must naturally follow the direction of the coast, and must range down the land to the southward, and sweep with an impetuous and irregular blast round Cape Horn, and the southermost part of Terra del Fuego. Without placing too much reliance on these speculations, we may assume, I believe, as incontestable facts, that both the rapidity of the currents, and the violence of the western gales, are less sensible in lat.  $61^{\circ}$  or  $62^{\circ}$  S. than nearer the coasts of Terra del Fuego.

Though satisfied, both from our own experience and the relations of other navigators, of the importance of the precept here insisted on, of proceeding to lat.  $61^{\circ}$  or  $62^{\circ}$  S. before any endeavours are made to stand to the westwards, yet I would also advise all ships hereafter not to trust so far to this management as to neglect another most essential maxim: Which is, to make this passage in the height of the *antarctic summer*, or, in other words, in the months of December and January, which correspond exactly to the months of June and July in our northern or arctic hemisphere: and the more distant the time of passing may be from this season, so much the more disastrous the passage may reasonably be expected to prove. Indeed, if the mere violence of the western winds be considered, the time of our passage, which was about the antarctic autumnal equinox, was perhaps the most favourable period of the whole year. But then it must be considered that there are, independent of the winds, many other inconveniences to be apprehended in the depth of winter, which are almost insuperable. For, at that season, the severity of the cold, and the shortness of the days, would render it impracticable to run so far to the southward as is here recommended. The same reasons would also greatly augment the danger and alarm of sailing, at that season, in the neighbourhood of an unknown shore, dreadful in its appearance, even in the midst of summer, and would render a winter navigation on this coast, beyond all others, most dismaying and terrible. As I would, therefore, advise all ships to make their passage, if possible, in December and January