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JOURNAL OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,

AT ITS

NINETEENTH ANNUAL COMMUNICATION,

HELD IN THE

Hall of Avon Lodge, No. 41, Stratford, Ont.

ON THE 6th, 7th and 8th DAYS OF AUGUST, 1873.

COMMENCING AT 9 O'CLOCK A.M.



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NINETEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

HELD IN THE

HALL OF AVON LODGE, NO 41,

STRATFORD, ONT.

STRATFORD, August 6, 1878.

Avon Lodge, No, 41, having assembled in special session in their new Hall for the purpose of receiving the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, the M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Representatives were duly announced, admitted and presented to the N. G., Bro. Simeon, who welcomed the Grand Lodge to Stratford and proffered the use of the Hall and ante-rooms for the purposes of the present session.

The M. W. Grand Master, Bro. John Murray, replied to the address and accepted the offer made.

The Subordinate Lodge then closed.

The M. W. Grand Master took the chair and called the Grand Lodge to order.

On the roll being called, the following Officers were present:

JOHN MURRAY.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
GEORGE WRIGHT.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
R. WARRINER.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
A. D. CLEMENT.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAMES WOODYATT.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
JOHN GIBSON.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
HARPER WILSON.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHALL.
JAMES F. MOREY.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
GEORGE MIDGELY.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.

And a quorum of Representatives.

The Rev. Jno. Hurst, Grand Chaplain, being unable to attend the present session, the Grand Master appointed Rep. Wm. Fitzsimmons Grand Chaplain *pro tem*.

The Grand Conductor and Grand Marshall examined all present and declared them duly qualified, whereupon the R. W. Grand Chaplain addressed the Throne of Grace as follows:

ALMIGHTY AND ETERNAL GOD, our Creator, Preserver, and Constant Benefactor, we render Thee humble and hearty thanks for that kind care that has watched over us during the past year, and permitted us again to assemble in Thy name for the transaction of business. We desire to acknowledge our unworthiness in Thy sight, and we feel that without Thy Divine Help all our purposes are ineffectual and all our efforts vain. Look with favor upon our beloved Order, and aid us in our efforts to increase its usefulness. Bless the widow and the orphan; and aid all who are in distress, as Thou seest they deserve. Be with us at this time; direct and guide us in our deliberations, and grant that the spirit of peace, harmony and love may prevail among us at all times; and when our labors on earth are ended, may we enter into the rest prepared for Thy faithful servants, and with all Thy redeemed family unite in ascribing praise to Thy Holy Name, for ever and ever.—Amen.,

The Grand Marshall, by direction of the chair, proclaimed the Grand Lodge open for the transaction of business.

On motion, P. G. Thomas Woodyatt was appointed Assistant Grand Secretary for the present session.

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The following was adopted :

Moved by Rep. J. J. Dyas,

Seconded by Rep. Wm. Mowatt, of Avon Lodge, No. 41,

Resolved,—That the Grand Lodge consider it expedient to appoint a Reporter for the Session, and That P. G. Robert Mathison be appointed such Reporter, with authority to publish such portions of the proceedings as may be deemed advisable.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed P. G. Charles Lee, of Avon Lodge, No. 41, Janitor for the Grand Lodge during the session.

The chair announced the following Committee on Credentials :

J. B. King, Grand Secretary ; Rep. Jno. Ritchie, Jr., of The Toronto Lodge, No 71 ; Rep. J. B. Laing, of Victoria Lodge, No. 64 ; Rep. Tjabo Simons, of Samaritan Lodge, No. 85, and Rep. J. Henry, of Collingwood Lodge, No. 54.

The Committee on Credentials submitted the following Report :

Report of Committee on Credentials.

STRATFORD, August 6, 1873.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario :

We, your Committee on Credentials, beg to report that, upon examination of the returns of the subordinate Lodges, the following Past Grand have been duly elected, and their credentials are in due form. We recommend that they be admitted to this Grand Lodge as the Representatives of the several Lodges named, as follows :

W. H. COLE,	}	Brock Lodge,	No. 9
WM. FITZSIMONS,			
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J. B. McINTYRE,			
W. CHATFIELD,			
J. G. SISTERSON,	}	Union Lodge,	" 16
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J. TURNER, ISAAC SMITH, J. P. YOUNG, OTIS B. HULIN, } G. POWELL, Sen'r, } W. ATKINS, } E. R. ROBINSON, } J. MITCHELL, } G. W. PONTINE, } G. W. HARE, } P. B. HATCH, } W. S. CAMPBELL, } W. BALLANTYNE, } W. F. McNAUGHTON, } J. F. McDONALD, } GEO. DENNIS, } W. N. FORD, } R. BOX, } H. E. BUTTERY, } GEO. SHAW, } E. BELTZ, } J. W. FLETCHER, } S. PERRY, } W. BISSELL, P.G.M., } R. J. WILSON, } N. FLATER, } W. MOWATT, } CL. T. CAMPBELL, } J. ROSS, } H. GIBSON, } J. RICHMOND, } R. GRIFFITH, } J. S. McMAHON, } H. McAFEE, P. G. M., } J. W. JOHNSTON, } J. S. EDGAR, } W. F. ROOME, } GEO. MIDGELY, } J. C. WILLIAMS } A. MCKAY, } J. GLASS, } W. WOOD, } J. J. DYAS, } A. GRANT, Sen'r, }	Chatham Lodge, Eureka Lodge, Erie Lodge, Gore Lodge, Samaritan Lodge, St. Mary's Lodge, Forest City Lodge, Rond Eau Lodge, Avon Lodge, Excelsior Lodge, Frontier Lodge, Mt. Zion Lodge, Unity Lodge, Dominion Lodge,	No. 29 " 30 " 33 " 34 " 35 " 36 " 38 " 40 " 41 " 44 " 45 " 46 " 47 " 48
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30	R. H. ARMSTRONG,) ALEX. MULHERN,) A. FEATHERSTONE,)	Otter Lodge,	" 50
33	H. BLAIN,) J. T. HORNIBROOK,) A. HUNTER,) J. COLBY, Jr.,)	Bissell Lodge,	" 51
34	JNO. COULSON,) J. R. PECKHAM,)	Covenant Lodge,	" 52
35	J. HENRY,) R. MATHEWS,)	Niagara Falls Lodge,	" 53
36	JNO. CAMPBELL,) J. F. CARTER,) J. R. DUNN,) J. NEIL,)	Collingwood Lodge,	" 54
38	J. WRIGHT,) C. W. WILMOT,) F. G. DUNBAR,) J. C. COOPER,)	Fidelity Lodge,	" 55
38	J. WRIGHT,) C. W. WILMOT,) F. G. DUNBAR,) J. C. COOPER,)	Queen City of Ontario,	" 56
40	F. G. DUNBAR,) J. C. COOPER,) J. CLARK,) HUGH McCOLL,)	Maple Leaf Lodge,	" 57
40	J. CLARK,) HUGH McCOLL,) W. D. GORDON,) S. OBERNDOFFER,)	Howard Lodge,	" 58
41	W. D. GORDON,) S. OBERNDOFFER,) N. HUGO,) D. GIBB,)	Kingston Lodge,	" 59
41	N. HUGO,) D. GIBB,) FRANCIS RAE,)	Wardsville Lodge,	" 60
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45	F. W. JOHNSTON,) J. B. LAING,)	Huron Lodge,	" 62
46	R. MACKAY,) J. S. GARNER,) J. E. DURHAM,)	Victoria Lodge,	" 64
47	T. H. VANN,) W. P. PROWER,) D. JOHNS,)	Friendship Lodge,	" 65
47	D. JOHNS,) J. B. PETRIE,) ALEX. DUNDASS,)	Florence Nightingale,	" 66
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		North Star Lodge,	" 68
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J. RITCHIE, JR.,	The Toronto Lodge,	" 71
J. A. PARKER,	Eastern Star Lodge,	" 72
J. A. CAMPBELL, }		
W. RODGERS,	Fergus Lodge,	" 73
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E. B. SUTHERLAND, }		
I. J. DAVIS,	Warriner Lodge,	" 75
J. A. STERLING, }		
L. FERGUSON,	St. Thomas Lodge,	" 76
W. F. FORBES, }		
J. H. LITTLE,	Oxford Lodge,	" 77
S. C. HARRINGTON, }		
W. H. KELLS,	Durham Lodge,	" 78
JACOB HAUFMAN, }		
GEORGE WHELER, }	Nipissing Lodge,	" 79
CHAS. E. KYLE, }		
JNO. McLAUGHLIN,	Amity Lodge,	" 80
W. J. DIAMOND,	Belleville Lodge,	" 81
H. SCOTT,	Clinton Lodge,	" 83
T. SIMONS,	Constellation Lodge,	" 85
JNO. GRAHAM,	Naparee Lodge,	" 86
W. W. GREENWOOD,	Empire Lodge,	" 87
R. McWHINNIE, }	Olive Branch Lodge,	" 88
J. L. WILSON, }		
GEO. W. JESSOP, }	Reliance Lodge,	" 89
WM. MARSHALL, }		
JNO. DAUNCEY, }	Ivy Lodge,	" 90
WM. REID, }		
JNO. LAWRENCE, }	Grand River,	" 91
WM. BROWN, }		
J. D. MATHESON,	Milton Lodge,	" 92
JAS. CLEVE, }	Western City Lodge	" 93
JNO. OSWOLD, }		
THOS. ROBINSON,	Pt. Stanley Lodge,	" 95
LOUIS GERMANN,	Nith Lodge,	" 96
J. M. STAEBLER,	Grand Union Lodge,	" 97
RICHARD NOAKES,	Minto Lodge,	" 98
W. J. CLARK,	Peabody Lodge,	" 99
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R. J. CHOWN,	Trenton Lodge,	" 113
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We find that Chatham Lodge, No. 29, on a total membership, not suspended, of 164, with only 117 members in good standing, has elected four Representatives. The returns show per capita tax paid on 164, and the names of only three Representatives elected. Certificates for four Representatives are in the hands of the Committee.

We find by a communication from Eureka Lodge, over seal, that R. Wigmore, P. G. M., and P. G. George Powell, Jun'r, were duly elected as representatives of this Lodge, but owing to circumstances over which they had no control they resigned, and that P. Gs. Jas. Heron and Wyatt were duly elected. We recommend that they be admitted.

We find Eastern Star Lodge, No. 72, has elected three (3) Representatives though entitled, on 87 members, to two. There are only two Representatives present, who state that P. G. O'Donovan will not be present. We therefore recommend that P. Gs. J. A. Parker and J. A. Campbell be admitted to represent that Lodge.

We find, by the returns of Florence Nightingale Lodge, No. 66, that D. Weir has been elected one of the Representatives, but a telegram in possession of your Committee requests that the name of P. G. Prower be substituted. Bro. Prower has the necessary credentials, we therefore recommend that he be admitted.

We find that Gore Lodge, No. 34, with a total membership of 105—87 in good standing—has returned three Representatives as duly elected.

We find Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, with a total membership of 110—97 in good standing—has returned only two Representatives, yet has sent three with certificates of election.

We find Durham Lodge, No. 78, with a total membership of 56—54 in good standing—has only returned one Representative, though entitled to two— which number have presented proper credentials.

Your Committee are under the impression that it was the intention of the Grand Lodge at its last session to so alter the Constitution—Art. 2, Clause 5—that Lodges should be entitled to representation on the number of members on which they pay per capita tax. We therefore recommend that Chatham Lodge, No. 29, be allowed four Representatives; Gore Lodge, No. 34, three Representatives; Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, two Representatives; Durham Lodge, No. 78, two Representatives; as mentioned in the preceding clauses.

We also find that Beaver Lodge, No. 82; Walkerton Lodge, No. 84; Golden Star Lodge, No. 101, have not returned the names of any Representatives as having been elected, but each Lodge has its Representation present with proper credentials. Your Committee recommend that the Brothers be admitted to represent the Lodges named, at the same time deprecating the carelessness of Lodge Secretaries in not properly filling up their returns in this respect—a neglect which not only causes this Committee a great deal of extra labor, but delays the work of the Annual Session.

We find that the returns of The Toronto Lodge, No. 71, show P.Gs. G. J. Fitzsimmons and J. H. Cornish as duly elected. A communication from that Lodge states that they have both resigned, and that in their stead P. Gs. H. W. Murdock and F. T. Barker, of Covenant Lodge, No. 52, have been elected. We recommend that they be admitted as representatives of the Lodge named.

We find that J. M. Laurie, a Representative elect of Empire Lodge, No. 87, has resigned, and that P. G. Harper Wilson has been duly elected in his stead. We recommend that he be admitted as Representative.

We find that P. G. J. C. White, Representative elect of Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, has resigned, and that P. G. C. E. Peirce has been duly elected. The certificates all lack the signature of the N.G., but otherwise are correct. We recommend that they be admitted.

The certificates of Isaac Smith, of Chatham, and Francis Rae, of Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, are without the signature of the N.G., but are otherwise correct. We recommend that they be admitted.

We find that W. Mowatt was duly elected to represent Amity Lodge, No. 80, but is not present. In his stead is P. G. Jno. Francis. He has a certificate in due form, and is vouched for by other Representatives. We recommend that he be admitted.

We find P. G. Stephen Noxon present with credentials in due form from Walkerton Lodge, No. 84, though the name is omitted from the Returns. We recommend that he be admitted as Representative.

We also find that the certificates of the following named Past Grands are in due form, viz :

P. G.,		Lodge,	No. 62
"	F. F. Lawrence, of Huron	"	" 29
"	I. M. Smith, Chatham	"	" 35
"	F. G. Lewis, Samaritan	"	" 67
"	— Rollins, Exeter	"	" "
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"	J. A. Parker, Eastern Star	"	" 72
"	John Size, Oxford	"	" 77
"	Robt. Morrison, Grand Union	"	" 97
"	Isaac Rigs, Avon	"	" 41
"	E. C. Edmonds, "	"	" "
"	Jno. Humphrey, "	"	" "
"	E. L. Whitehead, "	"	" "
"	Chas. Paekert, "	"	" "
"	F. C. Williams, Unity,	"	" 47

Your Committee therefore recommend that the Representatives before named be admitted as such, and all who have not already received the Grand Lodge degree be instructed therein; also, that the above named Past Grands

be admitted and instructed at the same time, and that during the remainder of the session all Representatives and Past Grands who present themselves shall be instructed in the ante room by the R. W. Grand Warden.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

J. B. KING.
JOHN RITCHIE, JR.
T. SIMONS.
J. B. LAING.
JAS. HENRY.

On motion to adopt ;

It was moved by H. C. Bingham, P. G. M.,

Seconded by Thos. Partridge, P. G. M., in amendment,

That the Report of the Credential Committee be amended by striking out "four" and inserting "three" as the Representation to which Chatham Lodge is entitled, and that in the case of Gore Lodge "two" be inserted instead of "three" in relation to the same matter.

Which was resolved in the affirmative.

The question being on the adoption of the report as amended, it was adopted.

In accordance therewith, the Representatives and Past Grands were admitted and instructed.

On motion to adopt the minutes of last session as read ;

It was moved in amendment by Thos. Partridge, P. G. M.,

Seconded by H. C. Bingham, P. G. M.,

That the words "*sine die*," in last clause be stricken out.

Resolved in the affirmative.

The minutes as amended were then adopted.

The M. W. Grand Master then appointed the following Standing Committees :

STANDING COMMITTEES:

Committee on Distribution.—Reps. Cl. T. Campbell, J. G. Sister-son, J. R. Dunn, E. G. Chant, I. J. Davis.

Committee on Credentials.—J. B. King (G. Sec'y), Reps. Jno. Ritchie, Jr., J. B. Laing, Tjabo Simons, J. Henry.

Committee on Returns.—Reps. James Heron, Walter Chatfield, F. Fowler, T. H. Vann, T. Colby, Jr., John Graham.

Committee on Finance.—Reps. Hugh Blain, Wm. Mowatt (of Avon Lodge, No. 41), W. D. Gordon, Geo. W. Jessop, W. J. Diamond.

Committee on Appeals.—Reps. Wm. Fitzsimmons, J. S. Garner, M. E. Snider, Hy. Griffith, J. D. Matheson.

Committee on Laws of Subordinates.—H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., Thos. Partridge, P. G. M., Rep. Cl. T. Campbell.

Committee on Printing.—J. B. King (G. Sec'y), Reps. J. R. Coulson, G. W. Pontine, Jno. Graham.

Committee on Legislation.—Wm. N. Ford, P. G. M., Reps. Jno. Dewar, I. F. Toms, J. F. McDonald, W. S. Campbell.

Committee on State of the Order.—Jas. Woodyatt, P. G. M., H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., H. McAfee, P. G. M., Reps. T. Healey, H. E. Buttery, Geo. Wheeler.

Committee on Mileage and Per Diem.—Reps. P. B. Hatch, E. Beltz, J. F. O'Neil, W. Rodgers.

Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.—Reps. J. J. Dyas, Hugh McColl, J. B. McIntyre, R. Tracey, Jno. Lawrence.

The M. W. Grand Master then presented his annual address, when, on motion of Rep. H. E. Buttery, seconded by Rep. W. Chatfield, the reading of the same was dispensed with, and the report was referred to the Committee on Distribution.

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Grand Master's Report.

To the Officers and Representatives of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Ontario, I. O. O. F.

BRETHREN,—We have met this morning in this beautiful Lodge Room, surrounded by old and familiar faces, to legislate for the welfare of our noble Order; and in accordance with our Constitution and custom, it becomes my pleasing duty, as Grand Master, to submit to you a Report of my official acts during the past year.

Brothers: the past year has indeed been one of marked prosperity in Ontario. Never since our Order was instituted, in this jurisdiction, had we greater cause to lift up one and all our hearts and voices in praise and thanksgiving to our Supreme Grand Master, for the manifold evidences of His approval of our humble efforts in the great cause of the brotherhood of man, and the elevation of human character. The most convincing evidence of the prosperity of our Order for the past year is the increased representation that we see in this beautiful Lodge Room.

Brethren, one and all: I am happy to meet you, and I earnestly hope that our meeting together will be for good, and for the best interests of our noble Order in this jurisdiction. Without any further introduction, I will now proceed to give you in detail, a history of my official doings during the past year, and should errors or omissions be discovered therein, attribute them to the head, but not to the heart.

CLAUSE 1.

In accordance with resolution of this R. W. G. Lodge, held in Windsor, I have prepared and presented Charters for the following Lodges, viz:—

Durham	No. 78.....	Port Hope.
Nipissing	" 79.....	Uxbridge.
Amity	" 80.....	Prescott.
Belleville	" 81.....	Belleville.
Beaver	" 82.....	Ruthven.
Clinton	" 83.....	Clinton.
Walkerton	" 84.....	Walkerton.
Constellation	" 85.....	Burgessville.
Napanee	" 86.....	Napanee.
Empire	" 87.....	St. Catharines.
Olive Branch	" 88.....	Woodstock.
Reliance	" 89.....	Guelph.
Joy	" 90.....	Park Hill.
Grand River	" 91.....	Paris.
Milton	" 92.....	Milton.
Western City	" 93.....	Chatham.
Aylmer	" 94.....	Aylmer.
Port Stanley	" 95.....	Port Stanley.
Nith	" 96.....	Hamburg.
Grand Union	" 97.....	Berlin.
Minto	" 98.....	Harriston.

CLAUSE 2.—NEW LODGES.

The following New Lodges have been instituted during the year, and are now at work under dispensation, for which I would recommend Charters being granted, viz:—

Peabody	No. 99,	Inst. Sept. 12,	1872	Watford.
Lindsay	100,	" 21,	"	Lindsay.
Golden Star	101,	Oct. 10,	"	Brampton.
Dosoronto	102,	Nov. 15,	"	Mill Point.
Cataract	103,	Dec. 5,	"	Drummondville.
Crescent	104,	Jan. 31,	1873	Hamilton.
Manilla	105,	Feb. 26,	"	Manilla.
St. Clair	106,	" 27,	"	Pt. Edward.
Waterloo	107,	Mar. 11,	"	Galt.
Royal Oak	108,	" 19,	"	Forest.
Orion	109,	" 20,	"	Georgetown.
Laurel	110,	May 5,	"	Yorkville.
Peterboro	111,	" 7,	"	Peterboro.
Lucknow	112,	" 9,	"	Lucknow.
Trenton	113,	June 11,	"	Trenton.
Gananoque	114,	" 16,	"	Gananoque.
Harmony	115,	" 24,	"	Brantford.
Naomi	116,	July 1,	"	Markham.
Valley City	117,	" 10,	"	Dundas.
Shannonville	118,	" 31,	"	Shannonville.

Representatives: allow me to congratulate you upon the prosperity of our beloved Order in this jurisdiction. It must be gratifying to us all to note this rapid growth and advance of our Order in Ontario, giving such plain indications that the sublime principles of Odd Fellowship has an abiding place in the hearts of its membership. I will take this opportunity of expressing my heartfelt thanks to John Gibson, P. G. M., of Stratford, for the valuable assistance I have received at his hands; I am indebted to him for instituting St. Clair Lodge, No 105; and to J. B. King, Grand Secretary, and Jas. Woodyatt, G. R., and D. G. M., George Wright, R. W. G. Marshal, H. Wilson, G. Guardian, Jas. F. Morey, of Ingersoll, and to many of the brethren throughout the jurisdiction, for their able assistance on similar occasions.

CLAUSE 3.—DEDICATIONS.

Sept. 12, 1872, assisted by a number of Brethren of Howard Lodge, I dedicated the new and commodious hall of Peabody, No. 99, Watford, to the principles of our Order, after which a very pleasant evening was spent with the brethren.

December 2, 1872, assisted by J. F. Morey, G. Guardian, and Hugh Kerr, D. D. G. M., of Samaritan Lodge, I dedicated to the principles of F. L. and T., a beautiful Lodge Room to the brethren of Otter Lodge, Tilsonburg, the ceremonies being performed in public. I have reason to believe that much good has resulted to the Lodge from that meeting.

January 1, 1873, the Hall of Durham Lodge, Port Hope, was publicly dedicated, and largely attended by the brethren of the eastern Lodges.

January 2, 1873, I dedicated a beautiful Lodge Room for the brethren of Lindsay. These enterprising brethren have shown to the outer world that they have the principles of Odd Fellowship at heart.

January 15th, the new hall erected for the brethren of St. Thomas Lodge, St. Thomas, was publicly dedicated in the presence of a large assembly. The hall is an ornament to the place, and a credit to the members of the Lodge.

January 21st, with the assistance of P. G. M. Bingham, I publicly dedicated, for the brethren of Oxford Lodge, Ingersoll, a spacious and beautiful hall to the principles of our Order.

July 8th, a similar work was performed with the assistance of P. G. M. Bingham, and a number of brethren from St. Thomas and Tilsonburg, which will result with much good to the Order in Aylmer.

CLAUSE 5.—DISPENSATIONS GRANTED.

Numerous applications have been made to me during the year for permission to hold anniversaries, excursions, pic-nics, balls, &c., some in the name and regalia of the Order; all of which I have cheerfully granted, believing them, when properly conducted, for the good and welfare of the Order. In each case my dispensation was granted "with the proviso, and upon the express condition" that no intoxicating liquors of any kind should be offered to the members or guests present on the occasion; and I am happy to be able to announce that so far as I have learned or been informed, the law has not been violated. In my opinion, among the noblest and grandest tenets of our Order, are its moral, social, and fraternal features. There should be cultivated among the Lodges and members more friendly relations, more familiar acquaintances, more brotherly love, and more practical illustration of the principles of the great brotherhood of man.

CLAUSE 6.

Official Reports of the D. D. G. Masters of this jurisdiction have in most cases been made at proper intervals during the year; however, in some cases the position has been sadly neglected.

CLAUSE 7.

From the almost innumerable questions which have been submitted for my decision, I deem only the following of sufficient importance to embody in my report:

Question submitted from Avon Lodge, No. 41, Stratford, and appeal taken from the decision of W. Gibson, D. D. G. M., upon the following questions by P. G. Henry Gibson—

Question 1.—Is a vote of the Lodge *necessary* to receive a proposition for membership?

Question 2.—Is a vote necessary to receive the report of the Committee on such proposition before the ballot is taken on the candidate?

The D. D. G. M. decided both questions in the negative. Appeal was taken to the Grand Master: I concurred fully with the decisions of the D. D. G. M., as being in accordance with the Constitution governing Lodges in this jurisdiction.

All other questions have been readily answered by referring to the Digest and Journals of this R. W. G. Lodge.

CLAUSE 8.

A dispensation was granted to Lindsay Lodge, No. 100, permitting the election of a Scarlet Degree member as N.G.; there being no other qualified, the dispensation was granted.

CLAUSE 9.

In accordance with the resolution of this R. W. G. Lodge of last session, (page 921 Journal of Proceedings,) I re-appointed the Committee on Laws of Subordinates to meet two days previous to the session, consisting of the following named brothers:—H. C. Bingham, P. G. M.; T. Partridge, P. G. M.; and Cl. T. Campbell, P. G.

The Committee which was appointed for dividing the jurisdiction into Districts I did not think necessary to re-appoint, as their labors were not completed at the last session.

CLAUSE 10.—CIRCULAR ISSUED.

Upon the return of your representatives from the G. L. U. S., they suggested to me the advisability of inviting the G. L. U. S. to hold their session of 1874 in Ontario. In accordance with their wish I caused a circular to be issued to the different Lodges in this jurisdiction as to the advisability of such an undertaking. I have no hesitation in stating that if that honorable body were invited to this jurisdiction it would be a lasting benefit to the Order in Ontario.

CLAUSE 11.—OFFICIAL LABORS.

During the past year I have had the pleasure of visiting officially nearly all the Lodges in this jurisdiction, and I can congratulate this R. W. G. Lodge upon the prosperity of the Lodges in this jurisdiction. I assure you, brethren, no one feels deeper interested in the good and welfare of our Order, or its future progress or prosperity, than your humble servant. My wish is that the Supreme Master of the Universe will bless all our undertakings for good.

In conclusion with this clause, I officially visited Barrie Lodge, and found the field large but the laborers few. There seems to be a general dissatisfaction and bad management on the part of the first officers of the Lodge. The consequence will be, I am afraid, the surrender of its Charter. There will doubtless be a number of Grand Lodge Cards applied for should the Lodge cease to work; I would therefore recommend to this R. W. G. Lodge that a minute enquiry be made in each case before the cards are granted.

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CLAUSE 12.

During the past year I received a circular from the R. W. G. Secretary of the State of Mississippi, asking permission from this jurisdiction to apply to its subordinates for pecuniary aid to assist the brethren of Manchester Lodge, No. 34, Yazoo City, Miss., for assistance to rebuild their hall, recently destroyed by fire.

The document will be laid before your Committee on Correspondence, and I trust that this R. W. G. Lodge will give it a careful consideration.

CLAUSE 13.—REPRESENTATIVES.

I refer you to the Grand Secretary's Report for the statistics of the Order in Ontario, for the year. From that you will receive conclusive evidence that the year has been one of unexampled prosperity in this jurisdiction.

To Bro. J. B. King, R. W. G. Secretary I desire to express my sincere regards, and to acknowledge my personal obligations for his usual kindness and assistance in our official relations, and for the prompt and faithful discharge of every duty.

MISCELLANEOUS.

During the past year, after being properly satisfied, I granted a Grand Lodge Card to Brother David J. Woodward, of Erie, Pa., granted May 14th, to allow him an opportunity of again affiliating with our Order, for which I ask your approval.

During the past month, Howard Lodge, No. 58, of Strathroy, met with a serious disaster by fire, losing the whole of their paraphernalia, Charter, and everything in connection with the working of their Lodge. Finding such to be the case, I issued a dispensation until this R. W. G. Lodge should assemble, and I would therefore recommend that a duplicate Charter be presented to Howard Lodge in place of the one destroyed by fire, in accordance with Digest, page 75, sec. 337.

Representatives: I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without calling your attention to the immediate necessity of legislating to the end that some means may be adopted to lessen the labors of your Grand Master, for I can assure you, from experience, that the position is one of great labor and anxiety; and without recommending any particular plan of getting at the desired object, I leave the whole subject to this R. W. G. Lodge. I would, however, recommend that some Constitutional action be immediately taken to lessen the duties of your M. W. G. M.

Representatives: before surrendering my trust to my successor, I should be doing violence to my own heart were I at this time to neglect thanking you for the distinguished honor I have received by your suffrage. To be the Grand Master of such a jurisdiction, at the period of its greatest prosperity and usefulness, is a distinction to which no generous nature can be insensible. To have enjoyed the confidence of so noble a body as this, is a memory that shall ever sweeten my cup of life, and refresh my

soul as it passes from earthly scenes to the solemn audit of eternity. And now, in conclusion, my brethren, let me beseech one and all to strive to enhance the happiness of each other, so far as is possible in your capacity, discarding all sentiments of hate and vengeance, displaying liberality of thought and magnanimity of feeling: let us plight an undying hostility to vice, and render homage to wisdom and virtue; let dignity, sobriety and truth give a tone and manliness to all our discussions and intercourse; let each brother daily appreciate the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God.

In the hope and with the prayer that this session may be characterized by the usual good fellowship incident to our Councils, and with grateful and fraternal greetings to all, I summon you to the dispatch of the business before you.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN MURRAY, *Grand Master.*

The R. W. Grand Secretary then submitted his Annual Report.

Moved by Rep. H. Blain;

Seconded by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell,

Resolved.—That the reading of the report of the Grand Secretary be dispensed with, a printed copy being in possession of every member, and that it be referred to the Committee on Distribution.

Resolved in the Affirmative.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF

JOSIAH B. KING,

R. W. GRAND SECRETARY,

OF THE

R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,

YEAR ENDING 31ST JULY, 1873.

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STRATFORD, Aug. 6th 1873.

To the M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario:

I take pleasure in presenting this my seventh annual report of the business of the year, and in doing so have to offer my congratulation to the Order for the degree of prosperity which has been vouchsafed.

The duties devolving upon me by special resolution, as also the ordinary routine duties, have been punctually attended to.

1. Immediately upon the close of the last session I carefully compiled the minutes and had printed five hundred copies, of which I forwarded copies to each Officer, Representative, and to each Lodge; also to each State Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment.

2. I duly forwarded the resolution of thanks passed by the Grand Lodge to the Great Western and Grand Trunk Railways (page 920), and have received from each Company reduced fares for Representatives, &c., to the present session. Though the reduction is not so great as on former years, yet I am informed the present arrangement is general, as regards societies meeting this year.

3. A new edition of the Charge Books having been issued I procured from the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary one hundred and seventy-five copies and at once issued a circular to the Lodges notifying them that I had the new book ready for delivery. Most Lodges promptly ordered copies, though some are not yet supplied. I would recommend that all old Charge Books be at once called in and destroyed, in order that Lodges may have the new and complete book only, thus securing uniformity. Lodges that purchased the Pictorial Edition and have not yet exchanged them for the new revised edition can do so at an expense of \$1.00 for each copy exchanged.

4. I duly forwarded to the Grand Cor. and Rec. Secretary, J. L. Ridgley, the Annual Report of this jurisdiction, together with the amount due the Grand Lodge of the United States, the receipt of which has been acknowledged.

5. Upon receipt from J. L. Ridgley of copies of the revised Journal of the Session of 1872, Grand Lodge of the United States, I at once forwarded one copy to each Lodge and Officer of the Grand Lodge. The Journal is replete with information that should be carefully studied. If Lodge Officers would occasionally look over this report, as well as the report of our own jurisdiction, they would find information which would frequently save letters to the Grand Master or Grand Secretary on very trivial questions.

6. I received from the Chicago Relief Committee a number of copies of their final report very neatly bound in paper. The report seems to be very carefully compiled and gives a complete history of the extensive labors of that Committee from its appointment until its discharge, and as a history of the immense liberality of our Order is invaluable. I have sent one copy to each Lodge in this jurisdiction which contributed to the fund, and to each Grand Officer, also to other Lodges as far as the supply I had sent me would go.

7. I duly issued a Circular to the Lodges calling their attention to the Constitution of Subordinates, with regard to notifying this Office of rejections, suspensions, &c. Lodges have for the most part complied with the instructions, and I had monthly sent out a complete list compiled from the statements supplied by the Lodges. The first two months I wrote the statements, but finding from the greatly increasing number it would be impossible to continue writing them I have since had them printed, though with as much care and secrecy as if written in my own office. I consider the notifying Lodges of rejections as entirely useless—except in places where two or more Lodges exist—as the Law requiring a six months residence obviates the necessity of the notice. I am led to believe that some old Lodges do not observe that law and take in members before they are residents of the locality the required time. Lodges that violate this law would not take the trouble to examine the Black Book to find if the candidate had been expelled or rejected. While these very frequent rejections by some Lodges are expensive and laborious, I believe much almost irreparable mischief is often done by them and the harmony of the Lodges affected, which might be avoided by the Lodges adopting a By-Law requiring one week's notice from any Brother who intended to propose a candidate. A word to the intending proposer would induce him—in the majority of cases—to withdraw the name. The Lodges with which I am more intimately acquainted have such a

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By-Law, and as a consequence, a rejection is very rare. I trust the Grand Lodge will take action in this matter.

8. The Semi-Annual Returns from all Lodges excepting Barrie Lodge, No. 63, have been received for terms ending respectively Dec. 31st, 1872, and June 30th, 1873. These returns shew a large increase in funds and membership and exhibit a large amount of money expended for relief. Yet a great many of them are very indifferently made out and evidently are not what it is intended they should be—a careful and exact resume of the work of the Term. Some Lodges shew a number of brothers relieved but no amount paid for relief; others a large sum paid for relief but no brother relieved. Others shew their annual receipts to be \$500 or \$1,000 and yet have little or no money in either funds. These returns to be of any use should be correct, and, as the blanks are supplied, it seems that a very little labor and thought would make them more correct. The custom adopted by some Lodges of making the office of Secretary a stepping stone to the office of Vice Grand is I believe an injurious one. Much of the success of Lodges depends upon its Secretary, therefore the best talent the Lodge contains for the office should be secured and if possible kept in office even though a salary should be necessary to do so.

9. I duly notified Erie Lodge, No. 33, of the action had by the Grand Lodge on the appeal of John McMath, late of Erie Lodge, and have received from that Lodge a copy of trial and action of that Lodge on the case.

10. During the year twenty new Lodges have been instituted and one ceased to work, leaving a present total of eighty-six working Lodges, with an aggregate membership of 6,745, truly a large army of men engaged in the good work of relieving and comforting the afflicted. The value of the relief paid in dollars and cents can easily be estimated, but the many words of kindness, sympathy and encouragement are of untold value.

11. Realizing the benefit sustained by the Order from the very complete report of the session held in Brockville, and published in the daily papers, I would suggest the advisability of employing some competent brother connected with this Grand Lodge to report each annual session.

12. A number of the Lodges have based their representation on the number of members not suspended, that being the number on which the capitation tax is calculated. The Constitution reads that "each Lodge shall be entitled to representation on the number of members in good standing." I have written to the Lodges which have elected more Representatives than allowed by the clause above referred to. The matter was probably overlooked when revising the Constitution. It is necessary that some action should be taken by the Grand Lodge to decide the Representation that Lodges are entitled to.

13. A number of Lodges are in arrears for account. I would respectfully call the attention of the Grand Lodge to Clause 9, Art. 5 of its Constitution.

14. Some Lodges are also using singing odes of their own printing. I would call your attention to Section 807, Digest Laws G. L. U. S.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS.

Of Grand Secretary for year ending July 31st, 1873.

Date.	Lodges.	Number.	Charter Fee.		Supplies.		Per Capita Tax.		Total.	
			\$	c.	\$	q.	\$	c.	\$	c.
1872										
Aug. 1	Barrie.....	63			3	69			3	69
" 1	"	63					5	40	5	40
" 2	Nith.....	96	30	00					30	00
" 2	Peabody	99	30	00					30	00
" 6	Grand Union.....	97	30	00					30	00
" 6	Minto.....	98	30	00					30	00
" 6	Excelsior.....	44					31	87	31	87
" 6	Fidelity	55			4	00			4	00
" 8	Nipissing.....	79			30	49			30	49
" 22	Victoria.....	64			6	00			6	00
" 31	Eureka.....	30			3	25			3	25
" 31	Oxford	77			2	23			2	23
Sept. 7	Lindsay.....	100	30	00					30	00
" 9	Excelsior.....	44			3	00			3	00
" 9	Samaritan	35			27	66			27	66
" 30	Friendship.....	65			6	00			6	00
Oct. 4	Golden Star.....	101	30	00					30	00
" 4	Covenant.....	52			10	00			10	00
" 9	Dominion.....	48			12	00			12	00
" 17	Desoronto.....	102	30	00					30	00
" 22	Howard	58			6	00			6	00
" 22	Oxford	77			1	44			1	44
Nov. 4	Golden Star.....	101			31	65			31	65
" 13	Bothwell.....	74			18	25			18	25
" 19	Union	16			7	25			7	25
" 22	Cataract	103	30	00					30	00
Dec. 2	Western City.....	93			2	00			2	00
" 2	Clinton.....	83			5	00			5	00
" 3	Constellation.....	85			1	00			1	00
" 4	Eureka.....	30			4	63			4	63
" 5	Erie.....	33			5	00			5	00
" 5	Oxford.....	77			5	00			5	00
" 5	Olive Branch.....	88			1	50			1	50
" 11	Samaritan	35			2	00			2	00
" 13	Flo. Nightingale.....	66			7	00			7	00
" 16	Brock	9			2	50			2	50
" 18	Cataract	103			33	40			33	40
" 25	Crescent.....	104	30	00					30	00
" 26	Port Stanley.....	95			2	00			2	00
1873										
Jan. 2	Otter.....	50			3	25			3	25

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1873	Brought Forward.....									
Jan. 3	Gore	34	26 75	..	26 75	
" 3	St. Thomas.....	76	..	4 00	19 25	..	23 25	
" 6	Erie	33	15 25	..	15 25	
" 6	Kingston	59	..	..	..	..	17 50	..	17 50	
" 6	Howard	58	..	..	..	..	28 50	..	28 50	
" 6	Peabody	99	..	..	34 15	..	5 75	..	39 90	
" 6	Nith.....	96	..	..	..	..	5 50	..	5 50	
" 10	Gore.....	34	..	3 00	..	..	..	..	3 00	
" 10	Grand River	91	..	..	..	..	13 50	..	13 50	
" 11	Western City	93	..	..	..	..	12 25	..	12 25	
" 11	Chatham	29	..	..	..	..	37 50	..	37 50	
" 11	Rond Eau.....	40	..	..	..	..	10 00	..	10 00	
" 11	Flo. Nightingale.....	66	..	..	..	..	21 25	..	21 25	
" 11	Fergus.....	73	..	1 05	..	..	14 00	..	15 05	
" 14	Fidelity	55	..	..	..	..	19 00	..	19 00	
" 14	Samaritan.....	35	..	1 50	..	..	..	..	1 50	
" 14	Reliance	89	..	10 00	..	..	14 25	..	24 25	
" 14	Grand Union.....	97	..	35 95	..	..	6 75	..	42 70	
" 14	Dosoronto	102	..	31 69	..	..	..	..	31 65	
" 14	Union.....	16	..	..	..	..	48 50	..	48 50	
" 14	Empire.....	87	..	..	..	..	13 00	..	13 00	
" 14	Corinthian.....	61	..	..	..	..	22 75	..	22 75	
" 14	Durham	78	..	..	..	..	13 75	..	13 75	
" 14	Bissell.....	51	..	..	..	..	18 50	..	18 50	
" 16	Lucan	70	..	..	..	..	11 50	..	11 50	
" 16	Huron.....	62	..	3 00	..	..	23 50	..	26 50	
" 16	Otter	50	..	..	..	..	20 75	..	20 75	
" 16	Avon.....	41	..	..	..	..	42 00	..	42 00	
" 16	Excelsior.....	44	..	..	..	..	40 75	..	40 75	
" 16	Unity.....	47	..	..	..	..	44 25	..	44 25	
" 16	Victoria.....	64	..	..	..	..	15 25	..	15 25	
" 16	Oxford.....	77	..	..	..	..	15 75	..	15 75	
" 17	Samaritan	35	..	..	..	..	34 50	..	34 50	
" 17	Canada.....	49	..	..	..	..	58 25	..	58 25	
" 17	Covenant.....	52	..	..	..	..	64 25	..	64 25	
" 17	Queen City of Ont.....	56	..	..	..	..	37 50	..	37 50	
" 17	The Toronto.....	71	..	..	..	..	30 25	..	30 25	
" 17	Milton.....	92	..	..	..	..	5 75	..	5 75	
" 20	Warrior	75	..	3 00	..	..	18 50	..	21 50	
" 20	Lindsay.....	100	13 25	..	13 25	
" 20	Mt. Zion.....	46	7 00	..	7 00	
" 20	Hope.....	69	..	6 00	5 00	..	11 00	
" 20	Brock.....	9	..	2 50	28 00	..	30 50	

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7318	Brought Forward.....									
Jan. 20	Eureka.....	30	66	25	66	25
" 20	Forest City.....	38	69	25	69	25
" 20	Dominion.....	48	..	3 00	37	50	..	..	40	50
" 20	Ivy.....	90	..	..	12	25	..	..	12	25
" 20	Port Stanley.....	95	..	3 00	5	25	..	..	8	25
" 21	Walkerton.....	84	..	..	9	00	..	..	9	00
" 21	Niagara Falls.....	53	..	..	17	50	..	..	17	50
" 22	Wardsville.....	60	..	..	10	00	..	..	10	00
" 22	Belleville.....	81	..	..	17	25	..	..	17	25
" 22	Amity.....	80	..	..	15	75	..	..	15	75
" 23	Clinton.....	83	..	..	9	15	..	..	9	15
" 30	Friendship.....	65	..	6 00	29	00	..	..	35	00
" 30	Nipissing.....	79	..	..	12	50	..	..	12	50
" 30	Forest City.....	38	..	5 00	..	..	..	..	5	00
" 30	Golden Star.....	101	..	1 75	..	..	..	..	1	75
" 30	Rond Eau.....	40	..	5 00	..	..	..	..	5	00
Feb. 3	Avon.....	41	..	3 50	..	..	..	..	3	50
" 3	Howard.....	53	..	1 00	..	..	..	..	1	00
" 3	Eureka.....	30	..	1 50	..	..	..	..	1	50
" 3	Ivy.....	90	..	5 00	..	..	..	..	5	00
" 3	North Star.....	68	..	..	6 50	..	..	..	6	50
" 3	Lindsay.....	100	..	33 15	..	..	..	..	33	15
" 3	Exeter.....	67	..	..	8 75	..	..	..	8	75
" 4	St. Mary's.....	36	..	..	22 00	..	..	..	22	00
" 4	Eastern Star.....	72	..	..	21 75	..	..	..	21	75
" 4	Beaver.....	82	..	72	6 75	..	..	..	7	47
" 4	Frontier.....	45	..	20	33 00	..	..	..	33	20
" 4	St. Mary's.....	36	..	4 50	..	..	..	..	4	50
" 5	Durham.....	78	..	5 00	..	..	..	..	5	00
" 5	Napanee.....	86	..	..	11 25	..	..	..	11	25
" 5	Dosoronto.....	102	..	1 08	..	..	..	..	1	08
" 5	Cataract.....	103	..	2 00	..	..	..	..	2	00
" 11	".....	103	..	..	4 25	..	..	..	4	25
" 11	Niagara Falls.....	53	..	5 00	..	..	..	..	5	00
" 11	St. Clair.....	106	30 00	..	..	..	..	..	30	00
" 13	Minto.....	98	..	37 45	6 75	..	..	..	44	20
" 14	Collingwood.....	54	..	..	16 50	..	..	..	16	50
" 15	Oxford.....	77	..	5	..	..	..	..	5	00
" 19	Waterloo.....	107	30 00	..	..	..	..	..	30	00
" 19	Olive Branch.....	88	11 50	11	50
" 22	Bothwell.....	74	..	3 00	3	00
" 24	Peabody.....	99	..	2 00	2	00
" 25	Mavilla.....	105	30 00	30	00

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1873	Brought Forward									
Feb. 25	Royal Oak.....	108	30	00	30	00	
" 26	Constellation.....	85	6	25	6	25	
Mar. 1	Western City.....	93	..	..	3	00	..	3	00
" 5	Aylmer.....	94	18	50	10	50	29	00
" 6	Orion.....	109	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 8	Lindsay.....	100	..	..	12	75	..	12	75
" 10	Forest City.....	38	..	..	3	25	..	3	25
" 10	Nith.....	96	..	..	2	00	..	2	00
" 17	Eastern City.....	72	..	..	1	50	..	1	50
" 17	Chatham.....	29	..	..	6	00	..	6	00
" 18	Maple Leaf.....	57	15	25	15	25
" 26	Canada.....	49	..	..	3	45	..	3	45
April 1	Peterborough.....	111	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 4	Bothwell.....	74	12	25	12	25
" 4	Milton.....	92	..	..	2	00	..	2	00
" 4	Golden Star.....	101	9	25	9	25
" 15	Lucknow.....	112	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 17	Waterloo.....	107	..	..	28	00	..	28	00
" 21	Otter.....	50	..	..	3	00	..	3	00
" 22	Olive Branch.....	88	..	..	3	00	..	3	00
" 24	Queen City of Ont.....	56	..	..	9	75	..	9	75
" 26	Laurel.....	110	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
May 10	Belleville.....	81	..	..	5	00	..	5	00
" 17	Trenton.....	113	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 17	Lucknow.....	112	..	..	31	60	..	31	60
" 27	Western City.....	93	..	..	2	00	..	2	00
" 30	The Toronto.....	71	..	..	3	00	..	3	00
June 7	Gananoque.....	114	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 14	Avon.....	41	..	..	8	00	..	8	00
" 16	Harmony.....	115	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 19	Excelsior.....	44	..	..	3	15	..	3	15
" 20	Fidelity.....	55	..	..	6	00	..	6	00
" 20	Naomi.....	116	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 27	Durham.....	78	..	..	6	00	..	6	00
" 28	Valley City.....	117	30	00	..	..	..	30	00
" 30	Minto.....	98	..	..	4	50	..	4	50
July 1	Lindsay.....	100	..	..	2	75	..	2	75
" 3	Niagara Falls.....	53	19	25	19	25
" 4	Grand River.....	91	17	00	17	00
" 4	Fidelity.....	55	5	00	20	00	25	00
" 4	Wardsville.....	60	5	00	..	5	05	
" 4	Avon.....	41	9	25	..	9	00	
" 4	Howard.....	58	31	50	31	25

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STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—Continued.

Date.	Lodges.	Number.	Charter Fee.		Supplies.	Per Capita Tax.	Total.
			\$	c.			
1873	Brought forward.						
July	4 Harmony	115			28 40	2 50	30 90
"	4 Ivy	90			6 00		6 00
"	4 Constellation	85			4 40	6 75	11 15
"	5 Erie	33			2 25	15 50	17 75
"	7 Gore	34			10 28	26 25	36 53
"	9 Dosoronto	102			2 00		2 00
"	9 Kingston	59			11 95	26 50	38 45
"	9 Huron	62			5 10	25 25	30 35
"	9 Lucknow	112				5 25	5 25
"	9 Fergus	73			2 50	15 75	18 25
"	9 Minto	98				9 50	9 50
"	9 Warriner	75			7 40	19 75	27 15
"	9 Bissell	51				21 00	21 00
"	9 Orion	109			29 65	9 00	38 65
"	11 Western City	93				16 75	16 75
"	11 Chatham	29			5 60	41 00	46 00
"	11 Rondeau	40				12 50	12 50
"	11 St. Thomas	76			3 50	24 00	27 50
"	11 Lucan	70				12 75	12 75
"	12 Trenton	113				1 75	1 75
"	12 Belleville	81				22 25	22 25
"	12 Peabody	99				7 00	7 00
"	12 Hope	69			6 00	6 00	12 00
"	12 Brock	9			2 75	29 75	32 50
"	12 Empire	87				17 25	17 25
"	12 Flo. Nightingale	66				23 75	23 75
"	12 Samaritan	35				41 25	41 25
"	12 Avon	41				44 75	44 75
"	12 Reliance	89			5 00	19 00	24 00
"	12 Grand Union	97			5 00	9 50	14 50
"	12 Waterloo	107				7 25	7 25
"	14 Dosoronto	102				5 25	5 25
"	14 Manila	105			24 80	8 25	33 05
"	14 Lindsay	100				17 25	17 25
"	14 Shannonville	118	30 00				30 00
"	14 Milton	92			2 75	11 50	14 25
"	14 Oxford	77				18 50	18 50
"	14 Cataract	103				5 75	5 75
"	14 St. Mary's	36			14 08	21 25	35 33
"	14 Covenant	52			7 25		7 25
"	14 Union	16			3 50	50 75	54 25
"	14 Nith	96			26 40	8 00	34 40
"	14 Mt. Zion	46			4 30	7 25	11 55

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS—CONTINUED.

Date.	Lodges.	Number.	Charter Fee.		Supplies.		Per Capita Tax.		Total.	
			\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
1873	Brought forward.									
July 14	Amity	80					15 25		15 25	
" 14	Frontier	45			5 00		36 75		41 75	
" 14	Beaver	82			5 00		8 00		13 00	
" 15	St. Clair	106			24 90				24 90	
" 15	Otter	50					22 50		22 50	
" 15	Friendship	65			8 00		30 25		38 25	
" 15	St. Clair	106					9 75		9 75	
" 16	Aylmer	94			5 50		14 50		20 00	
" 16	Royal Oak	108					5 25		5 25	
" 16	Oxford	77					1 50		1 50	
" 16	Corinthian	61			8 25		29 00		37 25	
" 17	Eastern Star	72					21 75		21 75	
" 17	Durham	78			5 66		13 75		19 41	
" 18	Fergus	73					25		25	
" 18	Avon	41			7 00				7 00	
" 18	Peterborough	111					5 00		5 00	
" 19	Eureka	30			2 50		67 50		70 00	
" 19	Forest City	38			2 50		72 50		75 00	
" 19	Dominion	48			9 75		40 00		49 75	
" 19	Ivy	90					14 75		14 75	
" 19	Port Stanley	95			34 20		5 75		39 95	
" 19	Amity	80					2 50		2 50	
" 10	Napanee	86			6 75		14 50		21 25	
" 19	Exeter	67			2 85		7 50		10 35	
" 19	Olive Branch	88			5 00		15 00		20 00	
" 21	Crescent	104					12 75		12 75	
" 21	Unity	47				15 40	45 75		61 15	
" 21	Victoria	64					20 25		20 25	
" 21	Excelsior	44					46 50		46 50	
" 21	North Star	68			3 00				3 00	
" 21	Dosoronto	102					75		75	
" 23	Empire	87			2 00				2 00	
" 23	Maple Leaf	57					10 00		10 00	
" 25	North Star	68					7 00		7 00	
" 25	Canada	49			5 00		50 75		55 75	
" 25	Covenant	52					59 75		59 75	
" 25	Queen City of Ontario	56					45 00		45 00	
" 25	The Toronto	71			3 25		25 50		28 75	
" 25	Laurel	110			15 63		7 75		23 38	
" 52	Clinton	83			3 00		10 25		13 25	
" 29	The Toronto	71			6 75				6 75	
" 29	Bothwell	74			5 00		14 00		19 00	
" 20	Wardsville	60					11 25		11 25	

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Date.	Lodges.	Number.	Charter Fee.		Supplies.		Per Capita Tax.		Total.	
			\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.
1873	Brought forward.									
July 30	Nipissing	79			35	63	12	50	48	13
" 30	Otter	50			2	50			2	50
" 31	Excelsior	44			5	00			5	00
" 31	Crescent	104			28	68			28	68
" 31	Maple Leaf	57			9	50	3	75	13	25
" 31	Victoria	64			3	52			3	52
" 31	Collingwood	54					15	25	15	25
" 31	Peterborough	111			35	20			35	20
" 31	Chatham	29			5	00			5	00
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NAME OF LODGE.	LOCATION.	Number of Lodge.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn by card.	Expelled.	Cancelled membership, N.P.D.	Deaths.	Suspended.	Contributing Members.	Members in arrears, not suspended.	Total Membership.	Past Grand's.	Brothers relieved.	Orphans in charge of Lod.	Bro. Rec. Special Relief.	Paid for Special Relief.	Paid for Sick Benefits.	Paid for relief of Widows.	Paid for Educating Orphans.	Paid for Burying the Dead.	Total Relief.
Brook.	Brookville.	9	25	1	..	4	2	11	2	..	109	10	119	22	7	7	2	45 00	50 85	50 50	..	..	..
Union	16 St. Catharines	25	4	1	..	1	4	11	4	2	201	10	203	32	7	2	2	73 00	56 00	55 00	..	101 00	569 00
Chatham	29 Chatham	32	1	..	..	9	3	5	3	6	117	47	170	13	8	2	2	52 00	30 00	30 00	..	101 00	705 00
Eureka	30 London	35	1	..	..	4	9	20	3	9	251	19	273	19	25	11	..	575 00	336 00	30 00	30 00	140 00	466 00
Erie	33 Pt. Burwell	33	11	..	..	15	6	12	6	6	48	15	69	13	8	..	..	..	416 50	214 00	..	163 50	343 50
Gore	34 Brantford	34	19	2	..	3	3	14	1	1	163	18	185	18	12	4	10	..	479 84	88 50	30 00	63 50	343 34
Samaritan	35 Ingersoll	46	11	1	..	6	3	11	1	13	87	11	98	16	6	..	..	3 50	195 50	48 00	88 50	30 00	272 00
St. Mary's	36 St. Mary's	11	11	1	..	2	3	6	3	13	273	17	303	16	6	5	..	68 00	85 00	40 00	..	73 00	284 00
Forest City	38 London	41	41	2	..	2	3	6	3	..	50	2	52	..	..	..	..	750 50	230 00	..	105 00	1162 50	
Rondeau	40 Rondeau	40	10	..	..	2	5	2	..	6	161	18	183	16	13	1	..	111 17	137 00	40 00	..	..	3 00
Avon	41 Stratford	42	5	2	..	28	..	2	2	..	168	18	186	10	21	1	..	90 00	137 00	40 00	50 00	..	227 00
Excelsior	44 Hamilton	51	3	5	..	1	1	4	1	..	133	14	147	12	19	5	..	30 00	218 34	..	30 00	467 34	
Frontier	45 Windsor	21	2	..	..	2	1	1	6	1	15	14	29	4	1	..	..	15 00	..	..	30 00	45 00	
Mt. Zion	46 Newbury	29	3	..	..	1	1	1	1	..	22	195	6	21	..	..	..	39 50	..	..	25 00	212 50	
Unity	47 Hamilton	29	5	..	..	17	5	1	5	12	151	22	166	10	25	..	..	148 00	52 50	..	..	343 50	
Dominion	48 London	38	2	1	..	13	1	1	5	3	204	6	239	10	31	4	..	45 00	49 00	..	100 00	520 00	
Canada	49 Toronto	31	6	..	..	1	5	1	5	3	71	19	90	8	..	..	..	326 00	70 00	..	30 00	183 00	
Otter	50 Tilsonburg	24	2	1	..	1	1	7	1	..	60	24	84	7	..	..	..	97 00	40 00	..	..	97 00	
Bissell	51 Mitchell	20	1	..	..	1	1	1	1	13	30	49	252	8	..	..	..	247 00	40 00	..	..	354 80	
Covenant	52 Toronto	65	5	1	1	2	1	..	130	49	224	8	13	122 00	40 00	122 00	
Niagara Falls	53 Clifton	53	22	1	..	12	1	6	6	..	75	3	78	8	13	67 80	40 00	954 80	

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NAME OF LODGE.	LOCATION.	Number of Lodge.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn by Card.	Expelled.	Ceas'd membership, N.P.D.	Deaths.	Suspended.	Contributing members.	Members in arrears, not suspended.	Total Membership.	Past Grands.	Brothers relieved.	Widows relieved.	Orphans in charge of Lod.	Bro. Rec. Special Relief.	Paid for Special Relief.		Paid for Sick Benefits.		Paid for relief of Widows.		Paid for Educating Orphans.		Paid for Burying the Dead.		Total Relief.
																			\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	\$	c.	
Collingswood	Collingswood	54	13	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	61	18	66	7	7	20	1	1	3 00	82 00	75 00	75 00	44 00	44 00	44 00	44 00	44 00	44 00	85 00
Fidelity	Scaroth	55	13	4	4	4	4	2	1	1	62	26	82	7	1	1	2	2	27 00	13 00	13 00	7 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	13 00	31 00	
Queen C. of Ont.	Toronto	56	57	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	153	40	179	4	1	1	1	1	29 00	12 00	12 00	7 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	32 00	
Maple Leaf	Orangeville	57	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	40	15	64	6	3	3	3	3	26 00	204 50	204 50	25 00	204 50	204 50	204 50	204 50	204 50	234 50	
Howard	Kingston	58	28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	110	10	130	6	8	8	8	8	106 00	32 00	32 00	106 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	47 00	
Kingston	Kingston	59	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	97	45	45	9	9	9	9	9	106 00	55 50	55 50	106 00	55 50	55 50	55 50	55 50	55 50	55 50	
Wardsville	Wardsville	60	19	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	40	11	51	5	7	7	7	7	97 00	140 00	140 00	97 00	140 00	140 00	140 00	140 00	140 00	160 00	
Wardsville	Wardsville	61	19	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	97	11	110	7	17	17	17	17	97 00	140 00	140 00	97 00	140 00	140 00	140 00	140 00	140 00	160 00	
Corinthian	Corinthian	62	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	91	8	101	6	10	10	10	10	91 00	154 00	154 00	91 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	
Huron	Goderich	63	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	91	8	101	6	10	10	10	10	91 00	154 00	154 00	91 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	154 00	
Barrie	Barrie	64	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	59	26	81	8	8	8	8	8	59 00	24 00	24 00	59 00	24 00	24 00	24 00	24 00	24 00	75 00	
Victoria	Hamilton	65	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	90	31	129	8	7	7	7	7	90 00	67 41	67 41	90 00	67 41	67 41	67 41	67 41	67 41	78 41	
Friendship	Petrolia	66	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	95	95	95	4	3	3	3	3	95 00	91 00	91 00	95 00	91 00	91 00	91 00	91 00	91 00	91 00	
Excelsior	Excelsior	67	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	13	32	4	2	2	2	2	30 00	12 00	12 00	30 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
North Star	North Star	68	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	28	28	4	2	2	2	2	28 00	12 00	12 00	28 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	12 00	
Hope	Hope	69	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	24	24	4	4	4	4	4	22 00	15 00	15 00	22 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	15 00	
Lucan	Lucan	70	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	49	50	49	4	3	3	3	3	49 00	32 00	32 00	49 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	32 00	
The Toronto	The Toronto	71	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	102	115	87	3	3	3	3	3	21 00	25 00	25 00	21 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	25 00	
Eastern Star	Eastern Star	72	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	57	30	87	3	3	3	3	3	40 00	51 00	51 00	40 00	51 00	51 00	51 00	51 00	51 00	51 00	
Fergus	Fergus	73	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	64	64	67	4	7	7	7	7	2 00	69 00	69 00	2 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	
Bothwell	Bothwell	74	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	56	56	56	3	3	3	3	3	2 00	69 00	69 00	2 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	69 00	

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Nith,	96	New Hamburg	31	11	1	1	1	1		32		32	2				30					30
Grand Union,	97	Berlin,	25	5	1	1	1	1		33		33					20					20
Minto,	98	Harrison,	14	1	1	1	1	1		34		34					15					15
Peabody,	99	Waford,	19	10	1	1	1	1		28		28										28
Lindsay,	100	Lindsay,	2	8	8	8	8	8		45		45										45
Golden Star,	101	Brampton,	3	12						56		56					3					3
Dosoronto,	102	Mill Point,	10	5						21		21										21
Cataract,	103	Drummondville	6	6						23		23										23
Crescent,	104	Hamilton	22	14						51		51					11					11
Manilla,	105	Manilla,	31	6						33		33										33
St. Clair,	106	Pt. Edward	36	5						37		37										37
Waterloo,	107	Galt,	19	6						29		29										29
Royal Oak,	108	Forest,	71	5						21		21										21
Orion,	109	Georgetown	44	8						35		35										35
Laurel,	110	Yorkville	24	6						31		31										31
Peterborough,	111	Peterborough	17	6						20		20										20
Lacknow,	112	Lacknow	37	6						21		21										21
Trenton,	113	Trenton	27	5						7		7										7
Gananoque,	114	Gananoque	35	7						16		16										16
Harmony,	115	Braatford	23							16		16										16
Naomi,	116	Markham	15																			

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NAME OF LODGE.	Number of Lodges.	Rejected.	Degrees Conferred.	W. & O. Fund. \$	General Fund. \$	Annual Receipts. \$	Per Capita Tax. \$	Date of Institution.	NAMES OF REPRESENTATIVES.
Brook	9	7	140	2008 63	69 70	1776 85	57 75	5 Mar.,	W. H. Cole, Wm. Fitzsimmons, Richard Green.
Union	16	4	86	36 10	11621 55	1460 50	99 23 16	"	J. B. McIntyre, W. Chatfield, J. G. Sistrerson, T. Healy, T. Thompson.
Chatham	29	7	278	1000 00	3753 55	1711 20	78 50 13	Jan.,	J. Turner, Isaac Smith, J. P. Young.
Fureka	30	4	84	715 00	3919 95	1907 70	133 75 2	Feb.,	G. Powell, Sr. G. Powell, Jr., E. B. Robinson, W. Atkins, J. G. W. Poutine, G. W. Hare.
Erie	33	3	69	75 44	761 33	399 21	30 75 3	Oct.,	T. B. Hatch, W. S. Campbell, N. Weston.
Gore	34	12	167	152 51	1892 09	968 37	53 00 25	Dec.,	W. Ballantyne, W. F. McNaughton, J. F. McDonald, Geo. [Dennis.
Samaritan	35	12	177	833 60	2401 00	1405 82	75 75 13	Jan.,	W. N. Ford, R. Fox.
St. Mary's	36	5	105	427 44	4642 74	2112 78	141 75 9	Nov.,	H. E. Buttery, G. Shaw, E. Beltz, J. W. Fletcher, S. Perry, R. J. Wilson, N. Flater.
Forest City	38	5	104	221 25	413 41	633 17	22 50	Feb.,	R. J. Richmond, R. Griffith, J. S. McMahon, J. C. White.
Rondeau	40	1	50	161 96	4046 07	1722 60	86 75	Jan.,	J. Richmond, R. Griffith, J. S. McMahon, J. C. White.
Avon	41	1	242	717 38	2245 50	1230 06	69 75 9	Jan.,	J. W. Johnston, J. S. Edgar.
Excelsior	44	3	67	357 72	803 47	1230 06	69 75 9	Jan.,	W. F. Roomie.
Frontier	45	2	90	1600 00	450 00	106 75	14 25 18	Jan.,	W. F. Roomie.
Mount Zion	46	2	82	4380 00	2961 28	2845 21	90 00 3	Apr.,	W. Wood, J. J. Dyas, A. Grant, Sr.
Unity	47	4	130	1100 28	1711 41	1148 38	77 50 18	Sept.,	G. Wright, W. Menzies, A. G. Allison, J. G. Coleman, W. [J. Annand.
Dominion	48	2	118	2113 57	1750 19	1402 34	109 25 14	Jan.,	J. Dewar, R. H. Armstrong.
Canada	49	3	88	587 00	1212 93	749 14	43 25 14	Mar.,	Alex. Muirhead, A. Featherstone.
Orter	50	3	88	1092 23	857 53	388 89	39 50 15	Oct.,	H. Plain, J. T. Hornibrook, A. Hunter, T. Colby, Jr.
Bissell	51	1	21	1061 34	2568 85	2035 94	121 00 22	Oct.,	1869 John Coulson, J. R. Peckham.
Covenant	52	1	107	2100 00	785 28	657 40	37 00 20	Apr.,	
Niagara Falls	53	

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NAME OF LODGE.	Number of Lodges.	Rejected.	Degrees Conferred.	W. & O. Fund.	General Fund.	Annual Receipts.	Per Capita Tax.	Date of Institution.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVES.
Collingwood.....	54	..	20	\$ 114 58	\$ 121 33	\$ 361 55	\$ 31 75	7 Oct.,	J. Henry, R. Mathews.
Fidelity.....	55	2	81	339 49	823 44	574 55	39 00	8 Mar., 1870	John Campbell, J. F. Carter.
Queen C. of Ont.	56	4	91	233 00	1448 91	1130 38	82 25	" "	J. R. Dunn, J. Neill, J. Wright, C. W. Wilmott.
Maple Leaf.....	57	..	94	147 90	83 10	337 75	29 25	" "	F. G. Dunbar.
Howard.....	58	11	145	353 87	969 37	1215 22	58 75	" "	J. C. Cooper, J. R. Clark, Hugh McColl.
Kingsdon.....	39	9	140	155 00	566 93	1049 75	44 00	14 April,	W. D. Gordon, S. Oberndorffer, N. Hugo.
Wardsville.....	60	1	16	99 93	235 21	297 82	21 25	" "	D. Gibb.
Corinthian.....	62	8	79	349 88	606 36	853 62	51 75	5 May,	R. Gott, Dr. Rae.
Huron.....	63	2	62	285 37	720 77	773 64	48 50	" "	I. F. Toms, J. Beck, F. W. Johnston.
Barrie.....	61	..	78	110 70	568 24	732 20	35 50	31 July,	Defunct.
Victoria.....	64	2	20	179 62	867 44	1335 07	59 00	22 Aug., 1871	J. B. Leing, R. Mackey.
Friendship.....	65	5	220	220	179 62	867 44	59 00	13 Jan.,	J. S. Garnet, J. E. Durham.
Flo. Nighthingale	66	5	104	256 00	1412 03	793 32	45 00	" "	T. H. Vann, D. Weir.
Exeter.....	67	..	36	110 00	133 60	289 25	18 25	" "	D. Johns.
North Star.....	68	..	14	49 22	162 50	43 50	3 Mar.,	" "	J. B. Petrie.
Hope.....	69	..	18	49 11	115 67	177 90	11 50	" "	A. D. Dundas.
Lucan.....	70	2	62	98 14	387 14	976 82	23 75	30 " "	D. J. McCosh.
The Toronto.....	71	1	91	262 15	513 02	628 70	47 50	8 May,	J. H. Cornish, J. Ritchie, Jr., G. J. Fitzsimmons.
Eastern Star.....	72	5	59	108 88	469 52	549 02	30 00	" "	J. A. Parker, M. O. Donovan, J. A. Campbell.
Fergus.....	73	2	45	57 70	147 10	360 83	26 25	23 June	W. Rodgers, A. G. Booth.
Bothwell.....	74	..	27	57 70	147 10	360 83	26 25	" "	F. H. Pope, E. B. Sutherland.

ABSTRACT FROM THE SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS—Continued.

NAME OF LODGE.	Number of Lodge.	Rejected.	Degrees Conferred.	W. & O. Fund.		General Fund.		Annual Receipts.		Per Capita Tax.	Date of Institution.	NAMES OF REPRESENTATIVES.
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Warner	75	3	54	128 17	554 02	754 13	38 25 27	“	“	“	“	J. J. Davis, J. A. Sterling
St. Thomas	76	...	57	32 98	137 97	706 31	35 75 14	July	“	“	“	L. Ferguson, W. F. Forbes
Oxford	77	8	107	129 62	288 52	889 83	43 73 27	“	“	“	“	I. H. Little, S. C. Harrington
Durham	78	8	107	115 21	1068 71	707 00	27 50 18	Aug.	“	“	“	W. H. Kells
Nipissing	79	8	86	45 00	434 83	670 54	25 25 12	Oct.	“	“	“	George Wheeler, Charles E. Kyle
Amity	80	8	115	...	100 00	441 75	33 59 12	“	“	“	“	John McLaughlin, William Mowatt
Belleville	81	3	42	80 70	1408 00	781 06	39 50 13	Dec.	1872	“	“	R. Tracey, W. J. Diamond
Beaver	82	9	73	28 79	471 45	175 75	14 75 12	Jan.	“	“	“	H. Scott
Clinton	83	8	62	56 47	119 98	326 94	20 00 16	“	“	“	“	T. Simons
Walkerton	84	2	43	24 16	172 73	365 80	20 00 17	“	“	“	“	J. M. Lawrence, W. W. Greenwood
Constellation	85	7	105	22 50	216 50	248 37	13 00 22	Feb.	“	“	“	J. M. Lawrence, J. L. Wilson
Napanee	86	7	151	23 00	139 13	561 76	25 75 8	Mar.	“	“	“	R. McWhinnie, J. L. Wilson
Empire	87	3	71	63 15	638 50	683 40	26 50 13	Mar.	“	“	“	George W. Jesson, William Marshall
Olive Branch	88	5	60	53 00	312 01	555 01	33 25 15	“	“	“	“	John Dauncey, William Reid
Reliance	89	0	121	73 44	371 71	937 35	27 00 24	April	“	“	“	John Lawrence, William Brown
Ivy	90	4	134	43 02	318 85	742 43	30 50 31	May	“	“	“	J. D. Mathison
Grand River	91	2	125	70 95	612 25	711 39	17 25 11	June	“	“	“	James Cleve, John Oswald
Milton	92	5	49	34 57	83 01	479 00	25 00 13	“	“	“	“	C. H. Hankinson
Western City	93	7	84	55 84	177 01	731 93	25 00 14	“	“	“	“	Thomas Robinson
Aylmer	94	7	127	26 20	350 00	615 73	11 00	“	“	“	“	
Pt. Stanley	95	...	37	25 12	25 67	357 78	“	“	“	“	“	

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Nith	96	4	97	27 25	177 43	309	25	13 50	30 July	Louis German	
Grand Union	97	10	69	26 98	94 24	454	50	16 25	2 Aug.	J. M. Staebler	
Minto	98	4	110	31 10	191 87	633	50	16 25	3 "	Richard Neokes	
Pembury	99	2	43	21 06	8 19	310	30	12 75	11 Sept.	W. J. Clark	
Lindsay	100	5	217	39 20	89 43	1121	51	30 50	24 "	S. A. McMurtrey	
Golden Star	101	6	109	102 00	238 00	747	15	23 25	10 Oct.	John Newton	
Dosaronto	102	3	54	9 94	87 54	284	73	20 25	15 Nov.	Thomas W. Woodruff	
Catawact	103	3	46	13 39	52 87	252	00	10 00	5 Dec.	W. J. Moore, Henry Griffiths	
Crescent	104	69	26	40	294 10	571	05	12 75	31 Jan.	John Iwohey	
Mamilla	105	88	13	71	450 05	445	05	8 25	26 Feb.	J. E. O'Neil	
St. Clair	106	3	49	7 60	237 12	472	50	9 75	27 "	A. McCausland	
Waterloo	107	5	39	10 09	31 69	303	44	7 25	10 Mar.	J. D. Conklin	
Royal Oak	108	1	108	5 95	21 58	232	35	5 25	18 "	M. E. Snider	
Orion	109	9	75	15 96	129 76	488	00	7 75	5 May	E. G. Chant	
Laurel	110	3	66	5 83	25 04	338	63	5 00	7 "	I. F. Toms	
Peterborough	111	2	36	3 40	24 80	171	00	5 25	9 "	R. J. Chown	
Lucknow	112	2	73	29 32	17 92	202	62	1 75	11 June	B. J. Fagan	
Trenton	113	...	...	...	24 25	26	00	2 50	26 "	N. T. Peatman
Gananoque	114	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harmony	115	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Naomi	116	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1 July	...
						291 6579	26371	01-68296	30 58615	37 3115	42

RECAPITULATION.

Number of Lodges.....		86
“ Initiated.....		2108
“ Admitted by Card.....		223
“ Reinstated.....		20
		2351
“ Withdrawn by Card.....		355
“ Ceased Membership, N. P. D.....		239
“ Expelled.....		16
“ Deaths.....		46
		656
	Net increase.....	1695
“ Of Membership per last report.....		5079
“ Present Actual Membership.....		6774
“ Of Members in arrears, <i>Suspended and not Suspended</i>		890
“ Contributing, or Members in Good Standing.....		5884
“ Past Grands in Good Standing.....		435
“ Rejected.....		291
“ Degrees Conferred.....		6579

RELIEF.

Number of Brothers, to whom were paid six benefits.....		394
“ “ Widowed families, to whom were paid benefits.....		71
Amount paid for Sick Benefits.....		\$6293 64
“ “ “ Widows.....		1512 84
“ “ “ Educating Orphans.....		118 50
“ “ “ Burying the Dead.....		1631 50
“ “ “ Special Relief.....		1266 30
		\$10822 78
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STATEMENT OF SUPPLIES.

July 31st, 1873, at selling prices.

1 Degree Lodge Installation Book	\$	0 75
8 Charge Books @ \$2 50.....		20 00
159 Visiting Cards 0 25.....		39 75
138 Withdrawal Cards 0 25.....		34 50
7 Dismissal Certificates 0 25.....		1 75
9 Digest Laws G. & U.S. 2 50.....		22 50
4 Interleaves (sets) 0 25.....		1 00
37 Odes 0 0.....		2 22
21 Visitors' Registers 2 50.....		52 50
10 Members " 4 00.....		40 00
16 Question Books 1 75.....		17 50
12 Receipt " 1 75.....		21 00
24 Black " 1 75.....		42 00
30 Order " 1 75.....		52 50
1112 Orders for Supplies.....		13 75
225 Proposition for Membership.....		3 37
975 Reports thereon.....		14 62
480 Treasurer's Bonds, 50c per doz.....		20 00
248 P. G. and Rep. Certificates.....		4 00
Stationery		20 00
Postage Stamps		24 00
Total.....		\$447 71

ASSETS OF THE GRAND LODGE—July 31st, 1873.

Cash in Grand Treasurer's hands.....	\$	3854 33
" Due by Subordinate Lodges.....		325 50
" Loaned to the Grand Encampment.....		200 00
" Supplies on hand.....		447 71
		4827 54
Less amount overpaid by Lodges.....		20 68
Actual Assets.....		4806 86

MORTALITY TABLE.

Ten years,—from 1864 to 1873 inclusive.—June 30th, 1873.

Year.	Membership.	Deaths.	Percentage.	No. relieved.	Am't paid.	Total Relief and W.&O. Benefit.
1864.	512.	5.	1 in 102	40.	\$ 444 00.	\$1040 20
1865.	539.	7.	1 in 77	31.	346 98.	826 98
1866.	647.	11.	1 in 59	82.	669 00.	1239 00
1867.	907.	1.	1 in 907	79.	823 00.	1382 00
1868.	1103.	7.	1 in 157	104.	1335 06.	2145 24
1869.	1443.	7.	1 in 206	111.	1637 90.	2547 70
1870.	1923.	17.	1 in 113	187.	2040 54.	3290 56
1871.	3442.	21.	1 in 159	212.	2707 01.	4716 53
1872.	5079.	25.	1 in 202	309.	3979 56.	6277 95
1873.	6745.	46.	1 in 146	394.	6293 64.	10822 78
Average Deaths.						1 in 152.

AMOUNTS DUE BY SUBORDINATE LODGES, July 31st, 1873.

Erie Lodge	No. 33.	\$ 0 17
Avon "	" 41.	6 00
Otter "	" 50.	7 47
Bissell "	" 51.	8 87
Collingwod	" 54.	5 00
Howard "	" 58.	9 50
Corinthian	" 61.	2 75
Huron	" 62.	3 00
Barrie "	" 63.	1 91
Florence Nightingale	" 66.	2 50
Eastern Star	" 72.	6 50
Fergus "	" 73.	2 25
Amity "	" 80.	9 50
Belleville "	" 81.	10 00
Walkerton	" 84.	5 00
Napanee "	" 86.	2 50
Grand River	" 91.	2 00
Milton "	" 92.	25
Aylmer "	" 94.	16 36
Cataract "	" 103.	3 00
St. Clair "	" 106.	5 00
Waterloo	" 107.	2 35
Royal Oak	" 108.	31 65
Laurel "	" 110.	5 07
Trenton "	" 113.	35 20
Gananoque	" 114.	37 70
Naomi "	" 116.	35 70
Valley City	" 117.	35 70
Shannonville	" 118.	33 20
Total		\$325 50

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AMOUNT OVERPAID BY LODGES, July 31st, 1873.

Brock Lodge	No. 9..	\$	25
St. Mary's	" 36..		50
Dominion	" 48..		3 00
Covenant	" 52..	..	..	..	..	..		3 00
Queen City of Ontario	" 56..	..	..	..	..	..		25
Exeter "	" 67..	..	..	..	..	..		06
Hope "	" 69..	..	..	..	..	..		1 00
The Toronto	" 71..	..	..	..	..	..		3 25
Oxford "	" 77..		1 50
Durham "	" 78..		25
Empire "	" 87..		19
Aylmer "	" 94..		3 00
Peabody	" 99..		3 00
Lindsay	" 100..		35
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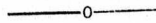
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J. B. King

The R. W. Grand Treasurer then submitted his Annual Report as follows, which was referred to the Committee on Finance:

REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND TREASURER.



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

The undersigned would respectfully submit the following Report of the Receipts and Disbursements of this Grand Lodge during the past year:

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1872.	Aug. 1st, To Balance on hand.....	\$3783 07
1873.	July 31st, To amount received from Grand Sec'y to date.....	5031 65
		\$8814 27

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1872.	Aug. 1st, By paid for stationery	\$ 1 45
"	" " C. E. Stewart, for printing G. S. Report....	28 00
"	" " Mileage and Per Diem of Committee.....	46 24
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"	" " Am. Exp. Co'y, carriage.....	8 00
"	" " Matthew Hart, Janitor.....	6 00
"	" " Jno. Gibson, G. M., expenses.....	374 65
"	10, " G. Officers, and Reps. mileage and per diem.....	2318 40
"	23, " G. L. U. S. for supplies	198 56
Sept.	14, " Eastern Star Lodge, account, over paid	9 33
"	23, " E. A. Percy, printing supplies.....	40 00
Oct.	1, " A. D. Clement, P. M., for postage.....	24 11
"	1, " E. Cameron, telegraph account.....	3 76
"	14, " E. A. Percy, on account of printing supplies.....	10 00
Nov.	22, " J. B. King, incidentals.....	15 40
"	22, " E. A. Percy, balance of printing account	105 83
"	30, " C. E. Stewart & Co., printing journals, &c	170 22

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Dec. 5,	By paid	J. Sutherland, paper and binding.....	141 91
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Jan. 2,	"	Rondeau Lodge, balance due them.....	53 35
" 2,	"	A. D. Clement, P. M., postage account to date.....	28 79
" 11,	"	Reps. of Chatham Lodge, No. 29.....	16 32
Feb. 13,	"	J. B. King, on account of salary as G. S.	150 00
April 1,	"	G. L. U. S., supplies and rep. tax.....	549 31
" 1,	"	A. D. Clement, P. M., postage to date....	48 39
May 31,	"	Jas. Murray, G. M., on account of expenses.....	50 00
July 1,	"	A. D. Clement, P. M., postage to date....	35 28
" 1,	"	C. E. Stewart, printing supplies.....	76 09
" 31,	"	J. B. King, balance of salary.....	250 00
" 31,	"	J. B. King, incidentals per accounts.....	95 44
" 31,	"	J. Sutherland, binding, &c.....	54 76
			\$4960 39
" 31,	By balance of	cash on hand.....	3854 33
			\$8814 72

Fraternally submitted,

A. D. CLEMENT,

GRAND TREASURER.

Grand Representative James Woodyatt then read the Annual Report of the Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Distribution.

Report of Grand Representatives.

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

As required by the Constitution, your Representatives have the honor to submit the following synopsis of the proceedings of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States at its Session of 1872.

The Grand Lodge met in the City of Baltimore, Maryland, on Monday, the 16th day of September, and closed on Saturday, the 21st, having held two or three meetings each day,

The Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment of Maryland, with deputations from the Subordinate Lodges and Encampments of the city and vicinity, in procession escorted the Grand Lodge of the U. S. to the Grand Lodge Room, when the M. W. Grand Master, Bro. Wm. R. Creezy, in an eloquent address, welcomed the members to the birth-place of American Odd Fellowship.

All the Grand Officers, Representatives from every Jurisdiction, two Past Grand Sires, Bro. Hugo Wollheim, Special Deputy Grand Sire for Germany, and a large number of visitors, were present. All manifested a deep interest in the work and progress of the Order.

The Annual Reports of the Grand Officers give a very full and gratifying statement of the condition of the Order in all parts of the world where the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge prevails.

The Grand Sire, during the year, made the following decisions, viz :

1. In a case where the State law provides that when a vote shall have been taken on all the forms of punishment without result in favor of either, the Noble Grand shall commence again with the highest order of punishment, and if need be, go through again, and so continue until some order of punishment be affixed. I have ruled that such law, being in conflict with the law of the Grand Lodge of the United States, which expressly provides otherwise, is of no force or effect, and that a vote of the Lodge refusing to affix a penalty of expulsion is final, subject only to appeal.

2. The Grand Lodge of the United States has not said how many black balls shall reject a candidate, except so far as applies to Subordinate Lodges under its immediate jurisdiction—that says, three black balls rejects, &c. Digest, secs. 127, 138.

3. There is no law compelling a Lodge to give a brother his degrees, no matter how good he may stand on the books of the Lodge; he must go through the ballot-box, be balloted for, and it is for the voters to decide whether he shall advance or not, and no one under our present system can question their right to reject or refuse to confer the degrees on any brother.

4. When an application is made for membership, it becomes at once the property of the Lodge. As to withdrawing said application, the word *may* is made use of (Digest, sec. 1130) to show that the Lodge has control over the matter, and having control, *may* refuse to allow the application to be withdrawn. The parties who present the application *may*, and indeed are, the proper persons to ask for the withdrawal of an application for membership. They make their wish known to the Lodge, officially, before the report of the committee is presented, and the permission to withdraw the application is granted by a vote of the Lodge: of course anyone can object, but if a majority say the application *may* be withdrawn, that ends it.

5. The laws of the Order contemplate the payment of benefits to all members in good standing, (Digest, secs. 152, 154;) but said laws also leave it with State authorities, or, if they do not act, with subordinates, to prescribe when the benefits are to be given. For instance, a State Grand Body may say that no brother shall be entitled to receive benefits until he shall have attained the Scarlet Degree; and it *may* say, too, that card members shall not be entitled to benefits until they shall have been members for six months or more after depositing; or a State Grand Body may enact a law to the effect that card members shall be entitled to benefits at once, and that initiates shall be entitled to benefits from the night of initiation.

6. When State Grand Officers grant cards under the general law, the brother receiving the card is entitled to the A. T. P. W., and a Noble Grand must communicate the same to the brother on his presenting a certificate from the Grand Secretary who issued the same, requesting the word to be given.

7. Application should be made to the Grand Lodge of the United States, or to the officers of that B. W. Body, for a warrant or dispensation to open a Lodge in the Territory of Utah, or in any State or Territory where there is no Grand Lodge, notwithstanding existing Lodges in said States or Territories may be under the temporary supervision of a neighboring or contiguous jurisdiction, as is the case with Utah.

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8. As the law of the Grand Lodge of the United States, (Digest, 1336, 1337.) says: "That to be in possession of the degree of Rebekah is a necessary qualification for office in all Lodges which have received it," all the officers must be in possession of it. The Warden, Outside Guardian, and other appointed officers of a Subordinate Lodge, are as much officers of the Lodge as the Noble Grand and Vice Grand are, though of a different grade.

9. Any brother of the Order suspended *indefinitely* for cause, no matter when, should, under the existing general law, (Digest, secs. 1782, 1783.) be at once reinstated or restored to membership.

10. A Subordinate Lodge does not relinquish its prerogative (an inherent right) to confer the degrees on its own members. Either of the five degrees, or the degree of Rebekah, by agreeing that a Degree Lodge shall be instituted. (Digest, 513.)

11. No officer, nor of course member, can enter or retire from an Encampment when open and working as such, without the proper sign, &c., (addressing the chairs,) except the Junior Warden in charge of a candidate. (*Secret Journal.*)

12. No Subordinate Lodge can reinstate an expelled member of its own motion. The consent of the Grand Lodge to which the Lodge is subordinate, or of the Grand Master, by its authority, is absolutely necessary to authorize the restoration. (Digest, 861.)

13. If there is no local law prescribing what vote is necessary to reinstate an expelled member, with the consent of the Grand Lodge, the same vote which expelled from ought to be had to restore to membership.

14. It requires ten (10) members to form or make a quorum in a regular Rebekah Degree Lodge. (Digest, clause 509, sec. 4.)

15. On an appeal to me from the decision of the Grand Master of Massachusetts, who, in view of the existence of a clause in the by-laws of Oriental Lodge, No. 10, of that jurisdiction, as follows: "If a brother dies within less than seven days after being taken sick, the sick benefit for one week shall be added to the funeral benefit," decided that the whole intent and purpose of the clause referred to was to meet just such cases—that is, sudden death, and that the one week's benefit should be added to the funeral benefit. I concurred in the opinion of the Grand Master, and so ruled.

The question having arisen in the Grand Lodge of Michigan, whether a certificate granted by a Subordinate Lodge in the jurisdiction of Minnesota, setting forth, under seal of the Lodge, and attest of the officers thereof, that a brother had passed the chairs of said Lodge, and was entitled to the Past Official and Grand Lodge Degrees, could be received and accepted as evidence of his being so entitled, he presenting to the Grand Lodge of Michigan said certificate and a certificate from a Lodge in Michigan—which he joined sometime before by card, properly authenticated, as a Past Grand—stating that he had been elected to represent said Lodge in the Grand Lodge. Being present, I said, I am of the opinion that the certificate presented to the Grand Lodge of Michigan by Brother George Laidley, the duly authenticated representative to the said Grand Lodge from Siginaw Lodge, No. 42, setting forth that he (Brother Laidley) is entitled to the Past Official Degrees, said certificate being under the seal of Vermillion Lodge, No. 8,

belonging to the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota, and attested by the officers of said Lodge, is sufficient evidence under the general law of the fact that said Brother Laidley has passed the chairs in a Subordinate Lodge, and is entitled to receive the Past Official and Grand Lodge Degrees.

The following inquiries were propounded to me :

1. Can an Encampment, under any circumstances, confer a degree on the same night that the application for the degree is made?
2. Does an appeal from the action of an Encampment suspend all proceedings in reference to the subject under consideration until the decision of the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch or the Right Worthy Grand Encampment is had?
3. If question number 2 is answered in the affirmative, what disposition must be made of the nomination of a candidate for office when the eligibility of the candidate is called in question and the matter is appealed to the Most Worthy Grand Patriarch or the Right Worthy Grand Encampment?
4. What is the duty of a D. D. Grand Patriarch when an Encampment is about to confer a degree in violation of law, or do any other unlawful act, after having been notified by him of the illegality of the proposed action?
5. Can a D. D. Grand Patriarch, who is a member of an Encampment, declare an act of an Encampment void when his knowledge of such act is obtained by reason of his presence in the Encampment as a member of the same; and when the Encampment has not requested his official opinion?
6. Can a Chief Patriarch, who has declared a pending motion illegal, and whose decision has been reversed on an appeal by the Encampment, refuse to put the motion and vacate the chair?

Also, is it according to Parliamentary usage to make a motion to establish a negative of a proposition and the affirmative of another, or, in other words, to move to reject a proposition and adopt or substitute another?

To which I replied :

1. That the subject is left for local legislation.
2. As a general rule, when an appeal is taken from the action of a Lodge or Encampment, all proceedings in reference to the matter are suspended; but not in the particular case you refer to, (question 3). The installation must go on. (See proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States, pp. 2463 and 2501).
4. The duties of D. D. Grand Patriarchs or D. D. Grand Masters are, or should be, defined in the local law (or commission), and they cannot go beyond said law. They are required to report persistent violations to the Grand Master or Grand Patriarch.
5. District Deputies may improperly declare certain acts of Subordinate Lodges and Encampments null and void, but that does not make them so; as before said. They must report all violations. Of course they may, with propriety, point out errors, and call attention to violations of law, but that is all.

6. No—see second decision of the Grand Sire last session.

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Lestly—No—such a motion is unparliamentary and unknown in our legislation.

On the 8th of September, 1871, in reply to an inquiry from the Grand Master of Missouri, substantially as follows: "What is the status of members of a suspended subordinate, from any cause, (who at the time of such suspension were in good standing,) upon the restoration of its charter and its resumption of work?" I replied that those who applied for and obtained the return of charter and authority to resume work are, as a matter of course, at once restored. The rest of the members in good standing acquire, by virtue of the revival of the subordinate, certain rights and privileges. The question is, what is the extent of these rights and privileges? They unquestionably, in so far as the mere suspension of membership was inseparable from the suspended condition of the Lodge, have the same right to unite in the application for restoration of charter as those who do apply, and having failed to do so, they do not thereby superadd any further disability to their position. They are, therefore, entitled to be readmitted to membership, or rather to resume membership upon payment of all arrears against them at the time of the suspension of the Lodge, and such other dues as may have accrued since they were notified of its resumption of work, unless special causes exist to the contrary. Whilst the right of the member to readmission is undoubted, yet it must be taken in this instance, as in all others, to be subject to the inherent right of the Lodge of self-protection, which is the paramount law where such issue is involved. Many reasons may be imagined why all the members should not necessarily be readmitted. Perhaps in the case reported, page 1477, Journal, from Illinois, the very cause of the surrender of charter was to get rid of obnoxious members, whose presence and membership destroyed the harmony and prosperity of the Lodge, and if, necessarily, such members could be admitted without challenge, upon the restoration of the charter, the real object would be defeated. I decide that all the members of Chillicothe Lodge who were in good standing at the time the Lodge ceased to work, or when it became suspended, are entitled to readmission upon payment of the proper dues chargeable, if no special cause otherwise exists, of which the Lodge is to be the judge; and that the proper dues are the amount, if any, appearing on the books at the time of surrender of charter, or ceasing to work, and such other dues as may have accrued since the member's knowledge of restoration.

ONE BALLOT AND ONE RECONSIDERATION.

It has been suggested that section 139, Digest, relating to ballots and reconsideration, is of doubtful construction. The ground is taken that a ballot is not complete until its results are declared by the Noble Grand. And, if by authority of a State law, the first vote had is not decisive, the Lodge may vote again until a decision, in conformity with said law, is had and declared; and such is held to be but one continuous ballot, and consistent with the 139th section of the Digest. The suggestion appearing to me to have weight, I respectfully refer it to your consideration. The determination of the question is important, as it involves the subordinate law on the subject in many jurisdictions.

IMPROPER USE OF THE NAME AND PRESTIGE OF THE ORDER.

Shortly after the adjournment of last session my attention was called to certain advertisements of a private business nature, by parties connected

with the Order, which, on examination, I deemed to be in violation of the law. (Journal, page 5143 and 5199.)

In obedience to what I conceived to be my duty, I addressed a communication to each of the parties referred to, pointing out the objectionable parts of their publications, and requesting them, in courteous language, to remove them, taking care to point out the law of this R. W. Body on the subject. Explanations were made and arguments were adduced to establish the fact that the law had not been violated, or if so, certainly not intentionally. To prove that the publications complained of by me were not in violation of law, it was claimed that Grosh's, Donaldson's and other Odd Fellows' Manuals, and works which contain much that belongs exclusively to the Order, especially the emblems and their significations—which are published on account of, and for individual gain—had been sanctioned by the authorities, or if not so, had been approved and countenanced by some of the most distinguished members of the Order, which I confess cannot be controverted; nevertheless, a violation of a law by others, no matter under what distinguished auspices or approval, was no defence, in my judgment, and only serves to enforce more cogently our duty in the premises.

In this connection, I beg to call your attention to what I conceive to be an infringement of the laws of this R. W. Body. I have reference to the publication of charts, banners and other designs of various kinds, displaying the emblems of the Order, and in many cases classifying and arranging them according to the respective authors' ideas of their particular place in the work. Having been applied to for permission to publish such charts, &c., I have emphatically stated that I did not possess the authority to do so; furthermore that the use of such charts, which is practised in many Lodges and Encampments, in illustrating the principles of the Order, is a violation of law and would not be tolerated.

The right to publish everything connected with the Order—emblems, charts, formulas, &c.—I have always regarded as belonging exclusively to the Grand Lodge of the United States; whether such claim has been fully enforced heretofore or not, I deem it absolutely necessary to do so at this time—as well in view of the injury being done by the use of such erroneous, unauthorized publications, as for the benefit, financially, which would accrue to this R. W. Body.

I have frequently been interrogated as to whether there is any relation existing between this R. W. Body and any Life Insurance Company, or whether it has at any time endorsed or recommended any of said institutions, to which I, of course, answered negatively. That the entire Order may be properly informed on this subject, I have deemed it highly proper to call your attention to the matter, and respectfully refer you to a letter from Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, jurisdiction of Ontario, and my reply thereto.

My correspondence in regard to improper publications is herewith submitted.

The 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 12, 13, 14 and 15 decisions and 2, 3, 5 and 6 questions and replies were referred to the Judiciary Committee, who made the following report, viz:

That they approve of decisions 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 9, 12 and 14, and of the answer to inquiries 2, 3, 5 and 6; they also approve the action of the Grand Sire in reference to the improper use of the name and prestige of the Order.

That decision No. 13 should be referred to the Legislative Committee. That No. 14 is decided correctly.

In reference to decision No. 4 we report:—An application for membership may be withdrawn before the report of the Committee thereon is presented, but not subsequently. If the report is recommitted to the Committee, it is then too late to withdraw the name of the candidate. State Grand Lodges are perfectly competent to decide whether it is necessary to obtain permission of the Lodge to withdraw an application for membership prior to the report of the Committee.

This report, after considerable debate on the decisions 4 and 13, was re-committed, with instructions to report on decision No. 13; and the Committee, supposing that was the *only* portion recommitted, made the following report, which was adopted by the Grand Lodge, viz.: That they approve of the Grand Sire's opinion as therein expressed.

Thus, it will be seen, the other decisions failed to receive the *confirmation* of the Grand Lodge; nevertheless they must be taken as binding until *reversed* by the Grand Lodge.

Decisions 6, 8, 10 and 11, and questions and answers 1 and 4, were referred to the Committee on the State of the Order, who reported, recommending that decisions 6, 10 and 11 and answers 1 and 4 be affirmed.

That in reference to decision No. 8 the following be substituted, viz. That a State Grand Body having accepted the Degree of Rebekah, and allowed it to be communicated to its subordinates, it is the duty of the Elective Officers *only* of the subordinates to be instructed in the work of the degree before installation into their respective chairs.

The report was adopted.

The subject of the "History of Oddfellowship" was referred to a Committee consisting of Bros. McKinstry, of Ala.; Garey, of Md.; Lindenberg, of O.; Simpson, of Penn.; and Porter, of Mass.; to report next session.

The Judiciary Committee reported and the report was adopted, "That when, upon a ballot, the number of black balls required to reject (by law of the jurisdiction) are cast, the applicant shall be declared to be rejected, and it is not lawful for the application to be referred for further investigation and a new ballot at some future meeting."

The same Committee reported the following, which was adopted, viz :

Without further legislation by this Grand Lodge it is not competent for a Subordinate Lodge to make a By-Law restricting membership to persons not over a certain age. The qualifications for admission to the Order are defined by Article 16, Sec. 2, of the Constitution, no Grand or Subordinate Lodge has the right to change the same.

As this decision renders Clause 1 of Article 2 of Constitution for Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction invalid, particular attention is called to it.

On the report of Finance Committee the price of Cards and Dismissal Certificates was reduced to fifteen cents.

On the Report of the Committee on Correspondence a Charter was granted for a "Grand Lodge of the German Empire," constituting the Order therein under certain restrictions an independent sovereignty, similar to that which formerly existed in British North America.

The several Reports of the Committee on Appeals, being too lengthy for insertion in this Report, are recommended to the careful perusal of the members.

With regard to the appeal of W. D. Kennedy from the action of this R. W. Grand Lodge at its last Session, your Representatives were not intrusted with the duty of presenting said appeal; on the contrary, the senior representative was given to understand that several representatives of other jurisdictions had undertaken to present said appeal; we therefore deemed it unwise to obtrude our services. The result was, the appeal was not presented until the last day of the session, when Representative Stokes, of Pennsylvania, presented it and moved that it lay over until next session, without prejudice to either party.

On the Report of the Legislative Committee the following was adopted, viz.:

When a member has been suspended for cause, and the suspension has continued five years or more, subordinates may, in their discretion, make a suitable remission of the accrued dues to encourage reinstatements, or commute the same upon payment of a satisfactory amount.

From the same Committee the following was adopted, viz.: Relating to the proper disposition of funds of defunct Subordinate Lodges which are surrendered to Grand Lodges, the use of such funds is authorized, to assist Lodges in need; also for the assistance of widows and orphans, if any, of such defunct Lodges, or to any relief fund which may exist in the jurisdiction, except always where the fund is held by the Grand Lodge as a specific trust.

From the same Committee the following amendment to By-Law No. 22 was adopted, viz.: The regalia for a Past Grand, who is also a Past Chief Patriarch, may, in lieu of any other regalia to which he may be entitled, be a scarlet collar, trimmed with white, the collar not to be more than five and a-half inches wide with a roll of purple two inches wide, trimmed with yellow, the collar to be united in front with three links. The above described regalia may be worn by a brother who has passed the chairs in a Lodge and in an Encampment in any Grand or Subordinate Lodge or any Grand or Subordinate Encampment. The collar may be of scarlet velvet, with white metal trimmings, and the roll of purple velvet, with yellow metal trimmings.

From the same Committee the following was adopted, viz.:

That when a member is being tried by a Subordinate Lodge for violating the obligations or divulging the secrets of any of the degrees, members who have not attained the degrees specified in the charge should be required to retire from the Lodge during the trial.

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From the Judiciary Committee the following was adopted, viz.:

A member of Lodge "A" visits Lodge "B," at the meeting after the installation of officers for a new term, but prior to the installation in Lodge "A," not having the S. A. P. W. for the new term, may or may not the Noble Grand admit him on the S. A. P. W. of the previous term, which still remains in force, or good in Lodge "A"? The member of Lodge "A" cannot be admitted unless he gives the new password used in Lodge "B."

From the same Committee the following was adopted, viz.:

That it is the duty of any Lodge, upon the presentation of a duly authenticated degree certificate, if the holder is in good standing, to confer the degrees upon the candidate holding and presenting such certificate.

Also on the question whether a retiring Noble Grand is eligible to the office of Representative, the following was adopted, viz.: That when a Noble Grand ceases to be such and has become a Past Grand, he is eligible to the office of Representative to the State Grand Lodge, and to the Grand Lodge of the United States, if in the latter instance he possesses all other requisite qualifications.

The following from the Committee on Foreign Relations was adopted, viz.:

That the prosperity and success of our brethren abroad is a source of profound gratification. Touching the wish expressed in Australia, Peru and the Sandwich Islands, that our laws relating to qualifications for membership as regards "Color," the Committee, for very cogent reasons, declined to recommend such legislation so long as the Lodges in these countries work under our jurisdiction. They also decline to recommend an appropriation for a special deputation to Australia.

Rep. Morse, of California, moved the following, which was adopted, viz.:

Resolved,—That a Committee of five be appointed, to whom should be assigned the duty of considering and preparing a system of dues and benefits for our Order, which shall be in harmony with the present perfected knowledge upon the subject of insurance and guarantees, and report the same to this R. W. Grand Lodge at its next session.

The Committee is composed of Rep. Morse, of California; Nicholson, P. G. Sire, of Pennsylvania, Rep. Leech, of Iowa; Edwards, of West Virginia, and Dowden, of Kentucky.

Several amendments to the Constitution were either rejected or indefinitely postponed, among them one for altering the name, your representatives believing that a change in that respect is necessary and will ultimately prevail, gave the requisite notice for a change, which was cheerfully seconded by several able representatives of other jurisdictions.

A great length of time was spent in secret session. The action had therein is shown to a considerable extent in the new Charge Books now in possession of the Lodges. Suffice it to say here that great interest and zeal was manifested to make the work as correct and complete as possible; a diagram of a Lodge room showing the proper positions of officers, &c., was recommended

as shown on page 5586 of the revised Journal. Jewels for Subordinate Officers were adopted as shown on page 5622 of said Journal.

The endeavor of your representatives has been to make this report as concise as possible, and therefore much that appears in the revised Journal of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States has been omitted, which is nevertheless of considerable moment and interest to the whole brotherhood of this jurisdiction and will well repay a careful reading and consideration.

The Officers of the G. L. U. S. for the present term are :

C. A. LOGAN, OF KANSAS.....	M. W. GRAND SIRE.
M. J. DURHAM, OF KENTUCKY.....	R. W. DEPUTY G. SIRE.
JAMES L. RIDGELY, OF MARYLAND.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
JOSHUA VANSANT, OF MARYLAND.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
REV. J. W. VENABLE, OF KENTUCKY.....	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN.
CALEB RAND, OF MASSACHUSETTS.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHALL.
A. COHEN, OF ARKANSAS.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.
J. W. HUDSON, OF WISCONSIN.....	R. W. GRAND MESSENGER.

The conclusion of the address of the M. W. Grand Sire on assuming the Chair of his office is well worthy of repetition. He said:—"There is no created thing which has not an office to perform in the economy of nature— an office connected with some important interest in the great plan of existence. As devotees of an advanced idea, finding expression in the demand for a universal brotherhood, it is ours to mitigate the ills of life; to pluck the sting of sorrow; to draw the sunshine over the cloud; to bridge the chasm of a fallen nature, and polish the rough jewel of humanity for a glorious setting in the coronet of an immortal life. Fellow-tollers! let us work for these ends while the day lasts; let us press militantly into the future; and while we strive for truth, and invoke the gentle arts of friendship and love in the contest, let us with one accord and strength of arm

“ Strike for the cause which needs assistance;
 Against the wrong which needs resistance;
 Strike for the future in the distance,
 And the good that we may do.”

With sincere thanks for the honor conferred upon us as your representatives, the whole is respectfully submitted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
 JOHN GIBSON.

GRAND LODGE ROOMS, STRATFORD,
 August, 1873.

Representative Cl. T. Campbell, from the Committee on Distribution, presented the following report, which was considered and adopted :

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Report of Committee On Distribution.

STRATFORD, Aug. 6th, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Distribution submit the following as their Report, viz. :

That clauses 2 and 15 of the Grand Master's Report be referred to the Committee on Petitions ; clauses 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 16 to the Committee on the State of the Order ; 12 to the Committee on Correspondence ; 17 to the Committee on Legislation ; and 10 to a Special Committee of five members.

That clauses 3, 7, 12 and 14 of the Grand Secretary's Report be referred to the Committee on Legislation ; 8 to the Committee on Returns ; 13 and 15 to the Committee on Finance.

That that portion of the Grand Representatives' Report referring to the action of the G. L. U. S. on the right of Subordinates to limit membership to persons not over a certain age be referred to the Committee on Legislation.

Your Committee submit the following :

Resolved, -- That the above Report be adopted.

CL. T. CAMPBELL,
E. G. CHANT,
J. G. SISTERTSON.
JAS. R. DUNN.
ISAAC J. DAVIS.

At one o'clock, on motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until three o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

GRAND LODGE ROOM, STRATFORD, Aug. 6th, 1873.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Grand Lodge met at three o'clock, M. W. Grand Master Jno. Murray presiding.

Roll called, present :—All the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The Grand Marshal and Grand Conductor, having examined all present, reported them correct; whereupon the Grand Marshal, by direction, proclaimed the Grand Lodge open.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following accounts were read, and on motion referred to the Committee on Finance :—

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, Dr.

To John Murray, M. W. Grand Master.

To expenses incurred in official visits.....	\$256 44
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STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, Dr.

To C. E. Stewart & Co.

To printing 250 copies of the Grand Secretary's Report.....	\$37 40
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STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, Dr.

To St. Catharines Daily Journal.

To printing 350 copies of Grand Master's Report.....	\$13 00
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STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, Dr.

To Cl. T. Campbell, D. D. G. M.

To expenses incurred in official visits to Olive Branch Lodge No. 88.....\$10 00

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, Dr.

To E. G. Hart.

To extra Railway Certificates\$1 50

The call of Lodges was now proceeded with, in accordance with the rule, when Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, of Avon Lodge No. 41, submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

Are the laws organizing Degree Lodges, temporarily adopted in 1871, still in force, either in whole or in part? If not, what laws have been provided, regulating the institution of such Lodges?

Rep. John Dewar, of Otter Lodge No. 50, submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

Can a brother, who is receiving sick benefits, have the degrees conferred on him, and is he entitled to the increased rate of sick benefits during such physical disability?

Rep. John Dewar also presented the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

In the election for Representative, a brother receives a majority vote over all the others, is it legal to elect such brother and drop the brother having the lowest number of votes, at the same time while two of the nominees have had no votes at all, and are said brothers who have received no votes still considered candidates?

Rep. J. T. Hornbrook, of The Toronto Lodge No. 71. submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

Can a member cease membership for N. P. D. ? and if so, when?

Rep. L. Ferguson, of St. Thomas Lodge No. 76, submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

When our by-laws say a candidate must reside in the town six months before he can be proposed, or that he must be examined by the Lodge physician and his certificate must be in the Lodge before he is balloted for; and should a candidate be elected before it was discovered that he had not resided in town six months, or that he was elected before he had been examined by the Lodge phy-

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sician : and when either of these irregularities have been discovered, is it right for the N. G. to declare such an election illegal, and when the said by-laws have been confirmed, to order a new ballot?

Rep. John Oswald, of Western City Lodge No. 98, submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

1st. Three black balls being deposited against a candidate, two of which are acknowledged to be a mistake, is the candidate elected, or has there to be a new ballot ?

2nd. Has a candidate to pay one quarter's dues on the night of his initiation ?

3rd. When is a member thirteen weeks in arrears, when the by-laws call for the dues to be paid in advance ?

Rep. W. J. Diamond, of Belleville Lodge No. 81, presented the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

The retiring Chaplain, who was duly appointed and filled said office for the term ending June 30th last past, was nominated to fill the office of P. S. for the present term. Other qualified members were also nominated. On the night of election those in nomination all declined to accept the office except the Chaplain, and he was elected by acclamation and duly installed in the office of P. S.

Question.—Clause 9 of article 3 of the Constitution empowering a Lodge to add a Chaplain to the list of appointed officers, and our Lodge having done so ; and as the Lodge duly elected their late Chaplain, who was a scarlet member, by acclamation, and who was subsequently duly installed in said office of P. S., is the office legally filled by Bro. A. L. Geen, the brother elected ?

The Grand Secretary read the following from Mathew Kennedy, which, with accompanying documents, was referred to the Committee on Appeals :

PETROLIA, July 30, 1873.

J. B. KING, Esq.,
Brantford.

SIR & BRO.—Enclosed, please find a Clearance Card, which has been imposed on me. I respectfully ask the Lodge to annul the same, as I did not wish such Card, as you will see by my letter dated May 12th. I have tendered them my dues, and they refused to take them. I have never received the travelling password. Therefore I most respectfully appeal to the Grand Lodge for protection.

Yours in F. L. & T.,

MATTHEW KENNEDY.

Jas. Dougherty, of Bissell Lodge, No. 51, presented the following appeal against that Lodge, which was referred to the Committee on Appeals.

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MITCHELL, Aug. 4, 1873.

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

I take the liberty of appealing to your honorable body from the action and decision of Bissell Lodge, No. 51, I. O. O. F., Mitchell, in a charge preferred by Bros. A. and J. Mulhern against me, as being informal, and a want of fairness, and not in conformity with the laws and usages of the Order.

1st. The charge is without date.

2nd. The Committee was not legally appointed.

3rd. That I had not sufficient time to notify my witnesses and get other necessary evidence in the case.

4th. That I was tried before on a portion of said charge, by the Lodge, and acquitted.

5th. That the Lodge did not keep a correct report of the proceedings of the case.

6th. That the Committee would not take my evidence in full, or admit of sworn affidavits and other documentary evidence that had a bearing upon the case, nor would the N. G. permit me to read them in the Lodge.

7th. That I was interrupted many times by the Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Abbott, when making my defence to the Lodge, and also by Mr. Coppin.

8th. That I was refused the privilege of voting while the charge was pending.

9th. That the Committee did not submit all the evidence that was given to the Lodge.

Hoping you will give the matter your consideration,

I am yours respectfully,

JAMES DOUGHERTY.

Rep. J. R. Dunn, of Queen City Lodge, No. 56, presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

A brother in good standing is sick, but not sending for the Lodge Physician during said sickness, and not having the same reported to the Lodge, and not asking for benefits—nine months after, takes sick again, but, not having paid his dues during the interim, now claims that the benefits to which he was entitled for first sickness should have been applied to pay his dues. I beg to ask if such can be so employed ; also, if he can now collect said benefits.

Rep. W. D. Gordon, of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, submitted the following, which was referred to the same Committee :

A person applies for admission to a Lodge, under an assumed name, is accepted and initiated ; the Lodge finding out the fact, what punishment can it inflict ?

In accordance with a resolution to that effect, the Chair

named the following Special Committee to consider clause 10 of the Grand Master's Report, viz.:—H. C. Bingham, P. G. M. ; J. Gibson, P. G. M. ; Reps. Cl. T. Campbell, Jno. Richmond, N. Hugo, R. Mathews.

Rep. J. J. Dyas, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

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

We, your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, beg to recommend that such of the correspondence as relates to Ivy Lodge, No. 90, be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

J. J. DYAS,
HUGH McCALL,
J. B. McINTYRE,
R. TRACEY,
JNO. LAWRENCE.

Rep. Jno. Lawrence, from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence beg to report that we have examined the correspondence of the M. W. G. M. and R. W. G. S. and find the same to be carefully kept and in such a manner as hereafter to be of benefit to those who may wish to find out the particulars of the working of the Order during the past year.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

Yours, in F. L. & T.

J. J. DYAS,
HUGH McCALL,
J. B. McINTYRE,
R. TRACEY,
JNO. LAWRENCE.

Rep. J. B. McIntyre, of Union Lodge, No. 16, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, to whom was referred clauses 2, 12 and 15 of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master, beg to report:

That they approve of clause 2, which recommends that Charters be granted to the following Lodges, which were instituted during the past year, and advise the adoption of the same. viz.:

Peabody,	No. 99,	Inst. Sept. 12,	1872	Watford.
Lindsay,	" 100,	" " 24,	"	Lindsay.
Golden Star,	" 101,	" Oct. 10,	"	Brampton.
Dosoronto,	" 102,	" Nov. 15,	"	Mill Point.
Cataract,	" 103,	" Dec. 5,	"	Drummondville.
Crescent,	" 104,	" Jan. 31,	1873	Hamilton.
Manilla,	" 105,	" Feb. 26,	"	Manilla.
St. Clair,	" 106,	" " 27,	"	Pt. Edward.
Waterloo,	" 107,	" Mar. 11,	"	Galt.
Royal Oak,	" 108,	" " 19,	"	Forest.
Orion,	" 109,	" " 20,	"	Georgetown.
Laurel,	" 110,	" May 5,	"	Yorkville.
Peterboro,	" 111,	" " 7,	"	Peterboro.
Lucknow,	" 112,	" " 9,	"	Lucknow.
Trenton,	" 113,	" June 11,	"	Trenton.
Gananoque,	" 114,	" " 16,	"	Gananoque.
Harmony,	" 115,	" " 24,	"	Brantford.
Naomi,	" 116,	" July 1,	"	Markham.
Valley City,	" 117,	" " 10,	"	Dundas.
Shannonville,	" 118,	" " 31,	"	Shannonville.

Your Committee also approve of the action of the Grand Master in issuing a warrant for the institution of Maitland Lodge, No. 119, at Wingham, on August 4th, and recommend that a charter be also issued to that Lodge.

We also recommend that the request of the Grand Secretary of Mississippi, as contained in clause 12, asking permission to appeal to the Lodges in this jurisdiction on behalf of Manchester Lodge, No. 54, Yazoo City, be granted.

We also approve of the action of the Grand Master in granting a card to Bro. David J. Woodward, and recommend that the same be confirmed.

We therefore submit the following for your approval:

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

J. J. DYAS,
HUGH McCALL,
J. B. McINTYRE,
R. TRACEY,
JNO. LAWRENCE.

Rep. Dr. Francis Rae, of Corinthian Lodge, No. 61, being ill, asked and obtained leave of absence for the remainder of the Session.

P. G. C. S. Male presented the following, which was referred to a special Committee consisting of Representatives G. W. Jessop, W. J. Diamond and Robt. Evans :

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

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

I hereby apply for a clearance card for Bro. Charles E. Ewing, formerly a member of Industry Lodge, said Lodge having surrendered its Charter.

C. S. MALE.

On motion the Grand Lodge adjourned at 4:30 p. m., to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE SECOND DAY.

— o — MORNING SESSION.

Stratford, August 7, 1878.

The Grand Lodge met at 9 o'clock a. m., the M. W. Grand Master, Jno. Murray, in the chair.

On the roll being called, the following Officers were present:

JOHN MURRAY.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
GEORGE WRIGHT.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
R. WARRINER.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
A. D. CLEMENT.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAMES WOODYATT.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
JOHN GIBSON.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
HARPER WILSON.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHALL.
JAMES F. MOREY.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
GEORGE MIDGELY.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Marshall and Grand Conductor, by order of the M. W. Grand Master, examined the Representatives present and declared them to be duly qualified: whereupon, by further order, the Grand Marshall declared the Grand Lodge open for the transaction of business.

The minutes of last session were read and approved.

At the request of the Finance Committee the chair added the names of Reps. F. H. Pope and E. R. Robinson to that Committee.

Rep. E. Beltz moved the following, which was not agreed to :

Resolved,—That no brother be allowed to speak more than five minutes on any subject or motion, unless by consent of the Grand Lodge, and that the rule of order allowing no brother to speak more than twice on any subject or motion be strictly observed, unless by consent of the Grand Lodge.

Rep. H. Blain, seconded by Rep. H. McCall, moved the following, which was not agreed to :

Resolved,—That the subject of amending the Rules of Order be referred to a Special Committee of five Representatives.

Rep. G. W. Jessop, from the Special Committee on that subject, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Special Committee.

STRATFORD, Aug. 6, 1873.

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

Your Special Committee to whom was referred the application of Bro. C. S. Male, of Corinthian Lodge No. 61, for a Clearance Card for Bro. Charles E. Ewing, formerly of Industry Lodge No. 25, which is alleged as having surrendered its charter, beg respectfully to recommend that a Card of Clearance be granted to said Bro. Chas. E. Ewing, upon his producing satisfactory evidence that he was clear of all charges upon the books of the said Lodge at the time the same became defunct, and also that he took no part in the illegal distribution of the Lodge funds or property.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

GEO. W. JESSOP.
W. J. DIAMOND.
ROBERT EVANS.

The following petition from Rondeau Lodge No. 40, was read, and referred to the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence:—

Rondeau Lodge No. 40, I. O. O. F., having petitioned for the Charter and other property of late Rondeau Lodge No. 40, that petition being granted by this Grand Body. We received the same by paying thirty dollars for the Charter. We consider that we are entitled to have the thirty dollars so paid, refunded.

Fraternally,

ROBERT WILSON.

Secretary.

Rep. H. McCall, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted:—

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, to whom was referred the letters of members of Barrie Lodge No. 63, asking for withdrawal Cards, we would report:

That Barrie Lodge No. 63 has not yet formally surrendered its Charter to the M. W. G. M., and that therefore the brothers must still look to Barrie Lodge for their Cards.

Should Barrie Lodge surrender its Charter, we would recommend that the M. W. Grand Master consider carefully as to whether the brothers applying for Cards have been the cause of Barrie Lodge becoming defunct,

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

Yours in F. L. & T.,

J. J. DYAS.

HUGH McCALL.

J. B. McINTYRE.

JNO. LAWRENCE.

Rep. J. F. McDonald, seconded by Rep. J. B. McIntyre, moved the following, which was resolved in the affirmative:

Resolved,—That a Special Committee be appointed to enquire into the fact of the membership of Bros. Samuel Wilson and Wright Sudworth, members of

the Lodge of this Order, at Woodstock, prior to the institution of this Grand Lodge, said Committee to report to this Grand Lodge at its present session as to the terms and conditions upon which Cards should be granted to the brothers named.

The Chair named as the Committee Reps. G. W. Jessop, W. J. Diamond, and R. Evans.

Rep. W. N. Ford, P. G. M., seconded by Rep. H. Gibson, moved the following, which was resolved in the affirmative :

Resolved,—That the subject of the Report of the Special Committee, page 908, Journal 1872, being a resolution by Rep. H. Gibson "for the appointment of a Committee to consider the advisability of this Grand Lodge erecting an edifice as a source of revenue, &c.," be again referred to a Committee to be composed of the mover, Reps. H. Gibson, W. Mowatt, R. Box, U. S. Campbell, and Wm. Fitzsimmons.

Rep. W. J. Diamond, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following Report :

Report of Committee on Finance.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

The Finance Committee beg to report that they have examined into the following accounts, and recommend the payment thereof :

1873.		
August 4.—C. E. Stewart & Co., printing 250 Grand Secretary's Report.....		\$ 37 40
August 4.—"Daily Journal," St. Catharines, printing G. Master's Report, 350 copies		13 00
August 6.—John Murray, G. Master, expenses for official visiting to date, and P. O. and Telegraph account.....		287 43

Amounting in all to the sum of..... \$337 83

The Committee have also had under their consideration an account of D. D. G. M., Bro. Cl. T. Campbell, for expenses incurred for "Olive Branch," No. 88, Woodstock; they recommend that the Grand Lodge do not pay the same.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

W. MOWAT.
W. D. GORDON.
GEO. W. JESSOP.
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Rep. J. J. Dyas, from the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

We your Committee on Petitions and Correspondence, to whom was referred the petition of Rondeau Lodge, asking for this Grand Lodge to refund the sum of thirty dollars, for Charter fee, beg to report that we find by clause 341. Digest, it is beyond the power of this Grand Lodge to refund the amount asked for.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

J. J. DYAS,
HUGH McCALL,
J. B. McINTYRE,
JOHN LAWRENCE.

Rep. H. E. Buttery, from the Committee on State of the Order, submitted the following Report, which on motion was considered seriatim, and adopted :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

We your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred the following questions, beg to submit as follows :

1st.—Question by Rep. Dewar, of Otter Lodge No 50 :

“Can a brother, who is receiving sick benefits, have the degrees conferred on him, and is he entitled to the increased rate of sick benefits during such physical disability?”

Yes—if legally elected to the Degrees.

2nd.—Question of Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, of Avon Lodge No. 41 :

"Are the laws organizing Degree Lodges, temporarily adopted in 1871, still in force, either in whole or in part? If not, what laws have been provided, regulating the institution of such Lodges?"

Answer—The laws of 1871 are still in force, so far as they apply to organization, but when they conflict with the Constitution of 1872, they are repealed,

3rd.—Question from Rep. Hornibrook, of Covenant Lodge No. 52 :

"Can a member cease membership for N. P. D. ? and if so, when?"

Yes—when the By-laws of a Lodge provide for the same.

We therefore submit for adoption the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. E. BUTTERY,
JAMES WOODYATT,
HENRY McAFEE,
H. C. BINGHAM,
T. HEALEY.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered seriatim and adopted:—

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Your Committee on the State of the Order report on the following matters submitted to them, viz :

Rep. John Oswald, of Western City Lodge, states :

1st. Three black balls being deposited against a candidate, two of which are acknowledged to be a mistake, is the candidate elected, or has there to be a new ballot?

Answer.—The candidate is not elected, and a new election can only be made in accordance with sections 128 and 129 of the Digest.

2nd. Has a candidate to pay one quarter's dues on the night of his initiation?

Answer.—The matter is governed by the By-laws of the Lodge.

3rd. When is a member thirteen weeks in arrears, when the by-laws call for the dues to be paid in advance?

Answer.—On the first night of the quarter, if his dues are not paid then or before.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
T. HEALEY,
HENRY McAFEE,
H. E. BUTTERY,
H. C. BINGHAM.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered seriatim and adopted :—

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Your Committee on the State of the Order report on the following question of Rep. Ferguson, of St. Thomas Lodge No. 76, viz :

“When our by-laws say a candidate must reside in the town six months before he can be proposed, or that he must be examined by the Lodge physician and his certificate must be in the Lodge before he is balloted for ; and should a candidate be elected before it was discovered that he had not resided in town six months, or that he was elected before he had been examined by the Lodge physician ; and when either of these irregularities have been discovered, is it right for the N. G. to declare such an election illegal, and when the said by-law has been confirmed, to order a new ballot?”

Answer.—It would be competent for the Lodge by a two-third vote, to declare the election void, but not for the N. G. to do so. Sec. 130, Direct.

We also report on the following from Rep. W. D. Gordon, of Kingston Lodge, No. 59, viz :

“A person applies for admission to a Lodge under an assumed name, is accepted and initiated. The Lodge finding out the fact, what punishment can it inflict?”

Answer.—Expel, on proper trial.

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
HENRY McAFEE,
H. E. BUTTERY,
H. C. BINGHAM,
T. HEALEY.

James Woodyatt, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom were referred clauses 5, 6, 7, 8, 11 and 16 of the Grand Master's Report, submit the following, viz :

That the Committee approve the action taken and the sentiments expressed in clauses 5, 6, 8 and 11; also of the decisions in clause 7, and also of the recommendation in clause 16, that a duplicate charter be granted to Howard Lodge in the place of the original, which has been destroyed by fire.

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

JAMES WOODYATT,
HENRY McAFEE,
T. HEALEY,
H. E. BUTTERY,
H. C. BINGHAM.

H. McAfee, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7th, 1873.

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

The Committee on the State of the Order beg leave to report that they have examined the letters of Bros. James N. Wallace, W. J. Sargent and A. V. Palmer, members of the late Barrie Lodge, No 63, applying for cards, and recommend that they be referred to the Committee on Petitions and Correspondence.

Also, that certain letters from Bro. John Noble, of Ivy Lodge. No. 96, Park Hill, be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

HENRY McAFEE,
JAMES WOODYATT,
T. HEALEY,
H. E. BUTTERY,
H. C. BINGHAM.

H. McAfee, P. G. M., from the same Committee, submitted the following report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

The Committee on the State of the Order, in reply to the queries of Rep. J. R. Dunn, of Queen City of Ontario Lodge, No. 56, as follows, viz. :

"A brother in good standing is sick, but not sending for the Lodge Physician during said sickness, and not having the same reported to the Lodge, and not asking for benefits—nine months after, takes sick again, but, not having paid his dues during the interim, now claims that the benefits to which he was entitled for first sickness should have been applied to pay his dues. I beg to ask if such can be so employed; also, if he can collect said benefits."

Wereply—If By-Laws of Lodge say that notice of sickness must be given within a limited period, and, such notice not having been given, the brother, in such case, forfeits his claim to benefits for such sickness.

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

HENRY McAFEE,
T. HEALEY,
JAMES WOODYATT,
H. C. BINGHAM,
H. E. BUTTERY.

Rep. Jas. Heron, from the Committee on Returns, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Returns.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

We, your Committee to whom was referred clause 4 of R. W. Grand Secretary's Report, beg to say that we fully concur in the remarks of the Grand Secretary as to the loose and slovenly manner in which many of the Returns are made out, more especially among older Lodges, of whom better is expected. We believe it arises more from the frequent change of Secretary than from any other cause, and would recommend each Lodge to secure the services of an efficient Secretary from among their members, and continue to

re-elect him, even if they have to pay him a salary to reimburse him for the time engaged in the performance of this duty.

We therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved,—That the report, as submitted, be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES HERON,
W. CHATFIELD,
THOS. COLBY, JR.,
JNO. GRAHAM,
T. H. VANN.

Rep. Jas. Heron, from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Returns.

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1873.

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

We, your Committee on Returns, beg to report that we have carefully examined the Returns for the YEAR ending June 30th, 1873, and find them as follows:

	TERM ENDING DEC. 31ST, 1872.	TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1873.
Brock, No. 9	Correct.	Correct.
Union, No. 16	Error in membership per last report—reported 188, should be 187.	Same error as in Dec'r term.
Chatham, No. 29,	Error of \$300.00 in total receipts column.	No Seal.
Eureka, No. 30	Correct.	Correct.
Erie, No. 33,	Incorrect in nearly all the summary column.	Error still carried forward.
Gore, No. 34,	Correct.	Correct.
Samaritan, No. 35,	Error, no names of expelled members.	Error of one in suspensions.
St. Mary's No. 36,	Error in membership—giving decrease in summary and not showing it.	Incorrect—recommended to be returned and a proper one sent.
Forest City, No. 38.	Error of 10 in total membership.	Error still carried forward.
Rondeau, No. 40,	Correct.	No seal.
Avon, No. 41,	Error of 1 in total membership per last report.	Error still carried forward.
Excelsior, No. 44,	Error in total membership—giving 191 instead of 139.	Error still carried forward.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS (Continued.)

	TERM ENDING DEC 31ST, 1872.	TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1873.
Frontier, No. 45,	Correct.	Correct.
Mount Zion, No. 46,	Error one in number brought forward per last return, 18 suspended and 10 in arrears, not suspended, being total of the Lodge, still returning 10 in good standing.	Correct.
Unity, No. 47.	Correct.	Correct.
Dominion, No. 48,	Correct.	Correct.
Canada, No. 49,	Correct.	Correct.
Otter, No. 50,	Correct.	Error in total membership of two.
Bissell, No. 51,	Correct.	Correct.
Covenant, No. 52,	Error in total membership per last report of 5; \$3.00 too much returned per capita.	Correct.
Niagara Falls, No. 53,	Correct.	Correct.
Collingwood, No. 54,	Error in total membership per last report of one.	Correct.
Fidelity, No. 55,	Correct.	50c. per capita overpaid.
Queen City of Ont., No 56,	Correct.	Report 26 ceased to be members for N. P. D. - names not given - and Rep. names omitted.
Maple Leaf, No. 57,	4 suspended—no names given; \$1 overpaid per capita.	No seal; error of four in total membership; error of two in suspensions; \$3.75 per capita short.
Howard, No. 58,	Overpaid per capita \$1. 25; report 5 members too many.	Names of suspended members omitted; 8 too many members reported.
Kingston, No. 59,	Correct.	Correct.
Wardsville, No. 60,	Correct.	Correct.
Corinthian No. 61,	Error in total of this report of one.	Error of five in total membership.
Huron No. 62,	One member too many; 25c. per capita overpaid.	One member too many; \$4.15 per capita too much.
Victoria, No. 64,	Total membership per lost report omitted.	Correct.
Friendship, No. 65,	Correct.	Overpaid per capita \$2.25
Flo. Nightingale, No. 66,	Correct.	Correct.
Exeter, No. 67,	Error of one in total membership.	Error of one in total membership.
North Star, No. 68,	Correct.	Correct.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS—(Continued.)

	TERM ENDING DEC. 31ST, 1872.	TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1873.
Hope, No. 69.	Correct.	Correct.
Lucan No. 70,	Correct.	Correct.
The Toronto, No. 71,	Error of one in total membership per last report.	Overpaid \$3.25 per capita.
Eastern Star, No 72,	Name of Lodge omitted; error in per capita—\$1.15 short.	Correct.
Fergus, No. 73,	Correct.	Short 25c. per capita.
Bothwell, No. 74,	Error of one in total membership per last report.	Correct.
Warriner, No. 75,	Correct.	Correct.
St. Thomas, No. 76.	Correct.	Correct.
Oxford, No. 77,	Correct.	Error of per capita—\$1.50 too little.
Durham, No. 78,	Overpaid per capita, 50c.	One member too many; per capita 25c. too much.
Nipissing, No. 79,	Correct.	Error in per capita of 25c. too little.
Amity, No. 80,	No seal; per capita 25c. too much; no account of dues.	Short \$2.00 per capita.
Belléville, No. 81,	No seal.	Correct.
Beaver, No. 82,	Correct.	Rep. name omitted.
Clinton, No. 83,	do.	Correct.
Walkerton, No. 84,	do.	do.
Constellation, No. 85,	do.	do.
Napanee, No. 86,	do.	do.
Empire, No. 87,	do.	do.
Olive Branch, No. 88,	do.	do.
Reliance, No. 89,	do.	Error in number of initiations of one.
Ivy, No. 90,	do.	Correct.
Grand River, No. 91,	do.	do.
Milton, No. 92,	do.	do.
Western City, No. 93.	do.	do.
Aylmer, No. 94,	Error of per capita \$17.74.	do.
Port Stanley, No. 95,	Correct.	do.
Nith, No. 96.	do.	do.
Grand Union. No. 97.	Error in number admitted by card—8.	do.
Minto, No. 98,	Correct.	do.
Peabody, No. 99,	do.	do.
Lindsay, No. 100,	do.	do.
Golden Star, No. 101,	do.	No seal.
Dosoronto, No. 102,	Error per capita \$3.	Error in per capita—75c. too little.

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS—(Continued.)

	TERM ENDING DEC. 31ST, 1872.	TERM ENDING JUNE 30TH, 1873.
Cataract, No. 103,	Correct.	Correct.
Crescent, No. 104,	do.	do.
Manilla, No. 105,	do.	do.
St. Clair, No. 106,	do.	do.
Waterloo, No. 107,	do.	do.
Royal Oak, No. 108,	do.	do.
Orion No. 109,	do.	do.
Laurel, No. 110,	do.	Error in per capita \$5.
Peterboro, No. 111,	do.	Correct.
Lucknow, No. 112,	do.	do.
Trenton, No. 113,	do.	do.
Gananoque, No. 114,	do.	No per capita.
Harmony, No. 115,	do.	Correct.
Yale Degree Lodge, No. 4.	do.	do.

Your Committee would respectfully suggest that D. D. Grand Masters be instructed to more carefully examine the Returns before transmission to the R. W. Grand Society, as the careless and unsatisfactory manner in which the Returns are made out, especially among the older Lodges, is very much to be regretted—entailing an extra amount of unnecessary work on the Grand Secretary, besides wasting a large amount of time at the Sessions of this Right Worthy Grand Body.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JAMES HERON,
W. CHATFIELD,
THOS. COLBY, JR.,
JNO. GRAHAM,
T. H. VANN.

H. McAfee, P. G. M., from the Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

The Committee on the State of the Order beg leave to report on the following queries submitted to them, as follows :

On query of Rep. W. J. Diamond, of Belleville Lodge, No. 81, viz. :

Question.—Clause 9 of article 3 of the Constitution empowering a Lodge to add a Chaplain to the list of appointed officers, and our Lodge having done so ; and as the Lodge duly elected their late Chaplain, who was a scarlet member, by acclamation, and who was subsequently duly installed in said office of P. S., is the office legally filled by Bro. A. L. Geen, the brother elected ?

Yes—under the circumstances stated.

On Query of Rep. John Dewar, of Otter Lodge, No. 50, as follows :

“In the election for Representatives, a brother receiving a majority vote over all the others, is it legal to elect such brother and drop the brother having the lowest number of votes at the same time, while two of the nominees have had no votes at all ? and are said brothers who have received no votes at still considered candidates ?”

The brother who receives a majority vote over all the other candidates in nomination is elected. In case another Representative is to be elected, all the other remaining candidates are in the field again.

On query of Rep. John S. Clark, of Howard Lodge, No. 58, viz. :

“Is a charter member, withdrawing from his Lodge and joining another Lodge, eligible for election to any elective office in that Lodge ?”

The mere fact of a brother having been a charter member in one Lodge confers no special privileges on him in another Lodge.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the foregoing be adopted.

T. HEALEY,
HENRY McAFEE,
JAMES WOODYATT,
H. C. BINGHAM,
H. E. BUTTERY.

Rep. J. J. Dyas, seconded by Rep. Wilmot Wood, moved the following, which was resolved in the affirmative :

Resolved,—That the Committee on Finance be instructed to consider the propriety of making a donation to Rondeau Lodge of thirty dollars.

Rep. G. W. Jessop, from the Special Committee on that subject, submitted the following Report, which was adopted :

Report of Special Committee.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred the motion of Rep. McDonald to inquire into the fact of the membership of Bros. Samuel Wilson and Wright Sudworth, said to have been members of a Lodge of the I. O. O. F., at

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Woodstock, before the institution of this Grand Lodge, beg respectfully to submit that they have no evidence before them showing any facts in relation to the question, and therefore would recommend that, upon satisfactory evidence being produced, in accordance with the laws of the Order, by said Bros. Wilson and Sudworth, that at the time specified in the motion they were members of same legal Lodge at Woodstock, aforesaid, and that they were members in good standing in said Lodge, that they be granted clearance cards, upon such conditions as the Grand Master may deem advisable in the premises.

Your Committee submit the following :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

GEO. W. JESSOP,
W. J. DIAMOND.

The following communication from the Grand Encampment of Ontario was read, and, on motion of Rep. G. Wright, D. G. M., seconded by Rep. J. B. McIntyre, the petition was granted :

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

To J. B. King, Esq., R. W. Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Ontario :

DEAR SIR & BRO.,—I am instructed, by resolution of the R. W. Grand Encampment of Ontario, to ask your R. W. Grand Body for a continuation of the loan of two hundred (\$200) dollars, so kindly lent to the Patriarchal branch of this jurisdiction, for another year. Also, to thank the Grand Lodge for their good feeling and consideration in the matter. If our prosperity continue for another year and our finances increase in the same ratio, as during the past year, we will have no difficulty in liquidating all our indebtedness.

Yours, faithfully and fraternally,

M. D. DAWSON,

GRAND SCRIBE AND TREAS.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Moved by Rep. J. O. Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. George Dennis, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Committee on the Division of the Jurisdiction into Districts, which was read last Session of the Grand Lodge and laid over until this Session, be again referred to Committee, to report this Session.

Rep. W. F. Forbes, of St. Thomas Lodge, asked leave of absence for the remainder of the Session, which, on motion, was granted.

Rep. Wm. Fitzsimmons, from the Committee on Appeals, submitted the following Report, which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Appeals.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Appeals have considered the appeal of Bro. P. G. Henry Gibson, Avon Lodge, on the following questions:

HENRY GIBSON,
vs.
AVON LODGE, No. 41.

1st. Is a vote of the Lodge *necessary* to receive a proposition of membership?

2nd. Is a vote necessary to receive the report of the Committee on such proposition before the ballot is taken on the candidate?

Your Committee beg to report that they concur in the decision of the D' D. Grand Master and M. W. Grand Master in answering these questions in the negative.

Your Committee therefore submit the following:

Resolved,—That the appeal of Henry Gibson, of Avon Lodge, No. 41, against the decision of D. D. G. M. William Gibson, be dismissed.

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
J. S. GARNER,
M. E. SNIDER,
H. GRIFFITH,
J. D. MATHESON.

Rep. J. D. Matheson, from the same Committee, submitted the following Report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on Appeals.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

MATTHEW KENNEDY,
vs.
FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 65.

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the appeal of Matthew Kennedy, vs. Friendship Lodge, No. 65, report as follows:

That no notice of appeal was served on Friendship Lodge, nor was the consent to such appeal granted by said Lodge.

We therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved,—That the appeal of Matthew Kennedy against Friendship Lodge, No. 65, be dismissed, without prejudice to the rights of the appellant.

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
J. S. GARNER,
M. E. SNIDER,
H. GRIFFITH,
J. D. MATHESON.

Rep. J. S. Garner, from the same committee presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

STRAFFORD, August 7th, 1873.

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

JAMES DOUGHERTY,
vs.
BISSEL LODGE, No. 51.

Your Committee of Appeals to whom was referred the appeal of James Dougherty, against Bissel Lodge No. 51, have carefully considered the voluminous evidence in the case, but can not find among the papers handed to them any Report of the Committee by whom the case of Bro. Dougherty was tried, nor has any such Report been received by the Grand Secretary. Your Committee, therefore, recommend that the said appeal be laid over until Bissel Lodge furnish said Report to your Committee, and that the Grand Secretary take such steps as will result in such Report being produced to Grand Lodge. We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
J. S. GARNER,
M. E. SNIDER,
J. D. MATHESON,
H. GRIFFITH.

The following was resolved in the affirmative, and in accordance therewith the chair named the following as the Committee :

James Woodyatt, P.G.M., H. C. Bingham, P.G.M., J. B.

King, Grand Secretary, A. D. Clement, Grand Treasurer, and Rep. Cl. T. Campbell.

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. H. E. Bутteny, and

Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to compile and publish a Book of Laws, containing Constitution of Grand and Subordinate Lodges, Rules of Order, the Decisions of this Grand Lodge at previous Sessions, and such Blank Forms and Instructions to Subordinate Lodges as they may deem advisable. Such Book of Laws to be sold to Subordinates at cost price, for distribution among their members.

At 12 o'clock, on motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned until 2 o'clock, p.m.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1873.

Pursuant to adjournment the Grand Lodge met and opened in form; the Grand Master presiding.

Present, all the Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The minutes of last Session were read and adopted.

The following appeal was read and referred to the Committee on Appeals:

MITCHELL, 7th August, 1873.

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

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS,—I take the liberty of appealing against the decision of Minto Lodge No. 98, for expelling me from the Order illegally.

The case is, I was expelled for fraud or keeping back Lodge property. When the said Lodge was instituted I was elected as Secretary, and the Initiation Fees and other moneys was collected by me, the N.G., and R.S.; when the Treasurer was elected, I paid over what funds I had, excepting four dollars, which I retained until I could get a settlement from the others, and refunded all funds excepting Ancient Odd Fellows' Fees.

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When the Returns were made up for last January, there appeared a deficiency of \$20, which the Lodge accused me of having; they then served me with a notice asking me to help find out the difficulty; I went, and could not find out the difficulty at that time, but went down again with the N. G., and made out a statement showing where the money was, and showing that I only owed them four dollars, which I offered to pay at any time they would take it.

The N. G. read my statement to the Lodge, and they served me with a notice to appear on the 21st day of April last past, at the Regular Lodge meeting, to answer a charge of fraudulently and illegally keeping Lodge funds. I went, and was asked what I had to say. I told them I had not the money, and asked for a trial, so that I might have witnesses examined and try and prove my innocence, which they refused; I then was ordered to retire; a ballot taken, and I was informed that I was expelled. I afterwards notified them that I should appeal to the Grand Lodge against their decision, and asked them for a copy of the minutes with reference to the case, which was refused. I afterwards came to live in Mitchell. The members of that Lodge have told gentlemen from this place, who did not belong to the Order, that I was a scoundrel, and cheated them out of money, &c. All I now ask is fair play and justice, and that you will examine my case and let me know the result as soon as possible.

I remain yours, in F. L. and T.,

WM. BARLEY.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by J. S. McMahon,

Seconded by Robert Griffiths, and

Resolved,—That a Committee be appointed to draw up a new form, or revise the present printed form of the Semi-Annual Return Sheet, in order that it may be better understood, more simple in form, and so arranged that it can be more correctly filled up by the Subordinate Lodges.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. A. W. Featherstone,

Seconded by Rep. John Campbell,

Resolved,—That the vote, adopting the Report of the Committee on Appeals, in the matter of James Dougherty, vs. Bissel Lodge No. 51, be reconsidered, and that the Report be again referred to the Committee for further consideration; and further, that the papers submitted with the case be returned to Bro. A. W. Featherstone, when the Committee have done with them.

The following was resolved in the affirmative, and in accordance therewith the names were read :

Moved by Rep. R. Box,
Seconded by Rep. John O. Campbell,

Resolved,—That the Grand Secretary read the names of all Lodges in arrears to this Grand Lodge, that this R. W. Grand Lodge may be fully certified that all Representatives have a right to vote at this Session.

Rep. J. O. Campbell, from the Committee on Printing, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on Printing.

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Printing beg leave to submit the following Report:

Resolved,—1st. That the Reports of the several Grand Officers and proceedings of Grand Lodge be printed in full in the Journal of Proceedings of the Session of the Grand Lodge of 1873, and that the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to have 800 copies of the same printed for distribution in this and sister jurisdictions. And your Committee would further recommend that the Grand Secretary examine carefully the proof sheets, previous to publication, in order to prevent errors.

2nd. That your Committee feel that the R.W.G.S., Bro. J. B. King, has succeeded in getting the Printing done at a very reasonable rate, and has evidently had an eye to the interest of the Order and this R. W. Grand Lodge.

3rd. Your Committee would further recommend that the R. W. Grand Secretary do receive tenders for the requisite printing, from the printing establishments of Toronto, Hamilton and London at least, in addition to any others he may deem proper.

We therefore submit the following:

Resolved—That the foregoing Report be adopted.

Respectfully submitted.

JNO. O. CAMPBELL,
JOHN COULSON,
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Rep. W. Fitzsimmons, from the Committee on Appeals, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Jno. McMath,)
 vs.)
 ERIE LODGE, No. 33.)

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the above case, beg to report as follows :

1st. That Bro. McMath was, on or about the month of September, expelled for violating his obligation by appropriating to his own use certain funds of said Lodge.

2nd. That Bro. McMath admits having appropriated the sum of ten dollars, but asserts that he was under the impression that it was not a Lodge transaction, and he subsequently tendered the amount to the said Lodge, which was refused.

3rd. That Bro. McMath is still willing to make restitution of the amount wrongfully retained as aforesaid.

4th. That it appears to your Committee, from the evidence laid before it, and to which this Grand Lodge is respectfully referred, that Erie Lodge and certain of the members thereof have been guilty of gross irregularities in lending the Lodge funds to members thereof, and in afterwards destroying the notes held in security of said loans, which have never yet been repaid.

5th. That the evidence taken at the trial of Bro. McMath, and produced before your Committee, does not, in their opinion, justify such a grave punishment as expulsion.

Your Committee would therefore respectfully recommend that an investigation into the affairs of Erie Lodge, above mentioned, and of the said charge against Bro. McMath, be had, either by the M. W. Grand Master or by some member of this Grand Lodge, outside of the jurisdiction of Erie Lodge, with full power to send for persons and papers, and that the M. W. Grand Master or the brother so appointed be required to report to this Grand Lodge at its next annual communication.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved.--That the above Report be adopted.

Yours in F. I. & T.,

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
 J. S. GARNER,
 M. E. SNIDER,
 H. GRIFFITH,
 J. D. MATHESON.

Rep. M. E. Snider, from the same Committee, presented the following Report which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

J. J. DYAS, P. G.,
vs.
 IVY LODGE, No. 90.)

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom was referred the grievance of D. D. G. M. Dyas against Ivy Lodge, No. 90, beg most respectfully to report as follows :

That Ivy Lodge initiated a candidate, who had been reported on the same night on which he had been proposed, in direct disobedience of the instructions of D. D. G. M. Dyas, and in willful violation of Art. 2, Clause 3, Constitution of Subordinate Lodges.

That the then N. G. of Ivy Lodge, Representative Dauncey, has in our presence made an ample apology to Bro. Dyas, with which the latter is satisfied.

Your Committee therefore recommend that the said matter be dismissed, with a caution to Ivy Lodge.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the above report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
 J. S. GARNER,
 M. E. SNIDER,
 H. GRIFFITH,
 J. D. MATHESON.

H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., from the Special Committee on that subject, presented the following Majority Report :

Report of Special Committee.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

The Special Committee, to which was referred the question of inviting the Grand Lodge of the United States to hold their Session for 1874 in Ontario, submit the following :

While we hold in high esteem the Grand Lodge of the United States, and while we believe nothing would give the members of our Order in Ontario greater pleasure than to make the personal acquaintance of the members of that distinguished body and to entertain them here, we feel satisfied (the majority of our Lodges being new ones) that their resources and energies are at present fully taxed in the necessary expenses of their respective Lodges in furnishing their Rooms and in building Halls of their own.

Believing this, and that such an entertainment as is proposed, in order to do justice to those who would become our guests and credit to our country and our Order therein, would involve an expense which can at present be illly borne.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved.—That the proposal to extend the invitation referred to in clause 10 of the Grand Master's Report be not at present entertained.

Signed by a majority of the Committee.

H. C. BINGHAM,
CL. T. CAMPBELL,
N. HUGO.

The question being on the adoption of the Report and resolution accompanying,

It was moved and seconded, and

Resolved.—That the Report lie on the table until to-morrow morning at nine o'clock—which was agreed to.

Rep. John Richmond, from the same committee, submitted a Minority Report, which was, on motion, laid on the table until to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock, to be considered with the Majority Report, on the same subject :

Minority Report.

STRATFORD, Aug. 7, 1873.

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

Your Committee, to whom was referred Clause 10, in the Grand Master's Report, would respectfully submit the following Minority Report :

Resolved.—That the suggestion contained in said Clause be approved of by this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that our Representatives to the Grand Lodge U. S., be instructed to invite that R. W. Grand Body to hold its Session of 1874, in the Province of Ontario, at the City of——.

JOHN RICHMOND.

Rep. W. Mowatt, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following Report, which was considered seriatim, and adopted :

Report of Finance Committee.

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1873.

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

The Finance Committee beg respectfully to submit the following Report :

1st. That in reference to Clause 13, Grand Secretary's Report, the Committee recommend that Clause 9, Art. 5, of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, be strictly enforced hereafter, and that the Grand Secretary so advise the several subordinate Lodges in the jurisdiction.

2nd. The Committee are at a loss to discover the object to be served by having Clause 15 of the R. W. G. Secretary's Report referred to them.

3rd. The Committee have great pleasure in recommending that this R. W. Grand Lodge make a grant of Three Hundred Dollars to the M. W. G. Master, John Murray, to reimburse him to some extent for the sacrifices made by him for his services last year.

4th. The Committee recommend that the sum of Thirty Dollars be granted to Rondeau Lodge.

5th. The Committee having examined the books of the R. W. G. Secretary and the R. W. G. Treasurer of this Grand Lodge, find that the cash balance at the commencement of the year was \$3,783.07, and that the cash receipts of the year were \$5,031.65, making a total of \$8,814.72. The cash payments during the year were \$4,960.39; leaving a balance of \$3,854.33.

6th. The Committee regret to say that the accounts of this R. W. G. Lodge are not kept in such a way that your Committee can audit the same. They find many payments made for which no proper voucher has been produced to your committee. The cash accounts of the officers in question, seem to be a transcript of each other—each showing the same cash balance in hand. The Treasurer keeps the cash in the Bank mixed with his own private funds, instead of a separate account, and with a separate Bank book, and although large balances are in hand from time to time, no investments, temporary or otherwise, have been made of such funds. Moreover, the accounts of neither officer have been balanced during the year.

7th. The Supplies account is likewise unsatisfactory, inasmuch as there is no separate account kept by the Secretary, shewing the cash paid for such supplies or realized from the various sales thereof.

8th. The Committee have come to the conclusion that the accounts of this R. W. Grand Lodge should hereafter be audited by two Auditors, prior to the meeting of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that they be paid therefor.

9th. The Committee are surprised to find that no tenders were asked for the Printing of this R. W. Grand Lodge during the year, and recommend that hereafter all work be done by tender.

10th. The Committee recommend that the Treasurer execute a new bond, with two sureties, for the gross sum of Six Thousand Dollars—himself in two thousand, and a similar amount for each surety.

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11th. The Committee likewise recommend that the R. W. Grand Secretary execute a bond for the gross sum of Three Thousand Dollars—himself in one thousand, and a like amount for each surety.

12th. The Committee recommend, that in view of the increase of the work of this R. W. Grand Lodge, that the salary of the R. W. Grand Secretary be fixed at \$500 for the current year.

13th. The Committee recommend that the R. W. Grand Treasurer be paid a salary of \$100 for the current year.

14th. The Committee recommend that the funds of this R. W. Grand Lodge be deposited in such of the chartered Banks of this Province as will allow the highest rate of interest.

15th. In consideration of the services of Bros. Robert Mathison and Thomas Woodyatt, the Committee recommend that they be paid their mileage and per diem, during the present sittings of this R. W. Grand Lodge.

16th. The Committee recommend that hereafter the R. W. Grand Secretary keep the accounts of this R. W. Grand Lodge, according to the system known as double entry, and that he pay over to the R. W. Grand Treasurer all the funds that come into his hands, once a month, and all accounts to be paid by order on the R. W. Grand Treasurer,

Therefore be it

Resolved,—That this Report be adopted.

W. MOWATT,
H. GRIFFITH,
H. BLAIN,
W. D. GORDON,
GEO. W. JESSOP,
W. J. DIAMOND,
E. R. ROBINSON,
F. H. POPE.

Rep. J. Henry, from the Committee on Credentials, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted:

Report of Committee on Credentials.

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1878.

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

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to report that they have examined the Certificates of Wm. C. Bell, P. G. of Samaritan Lodge, No. 35, Hugh Kerr, P. G. of same Lodge, and Thomas Werroll, P. G. of Avon Lodge, No. 41, and find them correct, and would recommend that they be admitted and instructed in the G. L. Degree.

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. HENRY,
JOHN RITCHIE, JR.
J. B. LAING,
T. SIMONS,
J. B. KING.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. P. B. Hatch,
Seconded by Rep. E. Beltz, and

Resolved.—That the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem be instructed to compute the mileage of Officers and Representatives attending the present Session, at four (4) cents per mile, and the per diem (2) two dollars.

Rep. J. B. Laing, from the Committee on Credentials, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

STRATFORD, August 7th, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Credentials beg leave to submit the following Report :

That they have examined the Certificates of P. G. Wm. Box, of St. Mary's Lodge, No. 36, and also P. G. Harry Hearn, of Samaritan Lodge, No. 35, and would recommend that they be admitted into this Grand Lodge.

Resolved.— That the above Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN RITCHIE, JR.,
JAS. HENRY,
J. B. LAING,
T. SIMONS.

The following was referred to the Committee on Finance :

Moved by Rep. J. B. McIntyre,
Seconded by Rep. J. J. Dyas,

Resolved.—That the services of John Gibson, P.G.M., rendered during his term of office, be recognized by this R. W. Grand Lodge, and that the same be referred to the Finance Committee.

The hour of 4 o'clock having arrived, which being fixed by the Constitution for the election of officers, the chair declared that order of business open, and asked for nominations for M. W. Grand Master, when the following were made :

M. W. GRAND MASTER.

By Rep. H. BlainD.G.M., Geo. Wright,
 " " E. Beltz..... P.G., T. Healey,
 " P.G.M., W. N. Ford " W. Fitzsimmons,
 " Rep. J. F. McDonald..... " Henry Robertson,
 " " Henry Gibson " Wm. Mowatt,
 " " J. B. McIntyre " Thos. Woodyatt,
 " " Geo. Dennis " J. F. McDonald.

Representatives T. Healey, W. Fitzsimmons, Thomas Wood-
 yatt and J. F. McDonald, declined.

The nominations having been closed, the chair appointed Reps.
 W. J. Diamond and John Gibson, P.G.M., as tellers.

G. Wright, P.D.G.M., elected on first ballot.

Nominations were then called for Deputy Grand Master, and
 were made as follows :

R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

By Rep. J. O. CampbellRep. R. Warriner,
 " " C. E. Peirce " R. Evans,
 " " W. Chatfield " Harper Wilson,
 " " J. W. Fletcher " H. E. Buttery,
 " " R. Mathison " J. J. Dyas,
 " " W. D. Gordon " W. J. Diamond,
 " " Alex. Hunter..... " J. B. McIntyre,
 " " J. Kerr " T. Simons,
 " " W. H. Cole..... " W. Fitzsimmons,
 " " Isaac Smith " John P. Young,
 " " Geo. Midgeley " Henry Griffith,
 " " Henry Gibson " Wm. Mowatt.

Representatives Buttery, Diamond, McIntyre, Simons and
 Young declined.

Grand Warden R. Warriner, elected on 4th ballot.

The Grand Lodge now proceeded to the election of

R. W. GRAND WARDEN.

When the following nominations were made :

By Rep. W. S. Campbell.....	Rep. Harper Wilson,
“ “ R. Griffith	“ Geo. Midgley,
“ “ A. Dundass.....	“ J. Kerr,
“ “ R. Gott	“ T. H. Vann,
“ “ J. G. Coleman	“ J. F. Morey,
“ “ John Richmond.....	“ R. Evans,
“ “ J. Turner	“ J. P. Young,
“ “ Alex. Hunter	“ J. T. Hornibrook,
“ “ A. Featherstone.....	“ J. O. Campbell,
“ “ George Shaw	“ H. E. Battery,
“ “ John Graham.....	“ W. D. Gordon,
“ “ A. Hunter	“ H. W. Murdock,
“ “ W. N. Ford.....	“ J. S. Garner,
“ “ E. Beltz	“ M. E. Snider,
“ “ J. F. McDonald.....	“ T. Simons,
“ “ J. J. Dyas	“ H. McCall,
“ “ N. Hugo	“ J. Newton.

Representatives Midgely, Hornibrook, Campbell, Murdock, Snider and Newton declined.

Rep. H. E. Battery elected on 5th ballot.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of Grand Secretary,

When the following nomination was made :

By Rep. H. Blain.....P. G. Secretary, J. B. King.

There being no further nomination, the chair announced J. B. King, P. G. Secretary, elected by acclamation.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of Grand Treasurer, when the following nomination was made :

By Rep. J. J. Dyas.....P. G. Treasurer, A. D. Clement.

There being no further nomination, the chair announced P. G. Treasurer, A. D. Clement, elected by acclamation.

The Grand Lodge now proceeded to the election of Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States, when the following nominations were made :

REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GRAND LODGE OF THE UNITED STATES.

By Rep. Jno. Lawrence	.....	P. G. R. Jas. Woodyatt.
" " E. G. Chant	.....	G. M. Jno. Murray.
" " P. G. R. Mathison	.....	P. G. M. W. N. Ford.
" " Rep. E. Beltz	.....	P. G. M. W. McAfee.
" " P. G. M. H. McAfee	.....	P. G. M. T. Partridge.

P. G. Master H. McAfee and Thos. Partridge declined ; P. G. Rep. James Woodyatt re-elected on first ballot.

The following resolution, by Rep. J. Campbell, was agreed to :

Resolved,—That leave of absence for the remainder of the Session be granted to Reps. Jno. Campbell, J. F. Carter, of Fidelity Lodge, No. 55 ; C. E. Peirce, of Excelsior Lodge, No. 44 ; Geo. Wheeler, of Nipissing Lodge, No. 79 ; Rich'd Mackay and J. B. Laing, of Victoria Lodge, No. 64.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Resolved,—That Reps. Alex. Mackay and Jno. Richmond be granted leave of absence for the remainder of the Session.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Resolved,—That leave of absence be granted to Reps. T. H. Vann, J. F. Prower and R. Gott, business requiring their attention at home.

On motion of Rep. J. A. Campbell, the former votes refusing to grant leave of absence to Representatives were re-considered.

Upon reconsideration—the question being upon the adoption of the first resolution—it was adopted.

The question then being for the adoption of the second resolution, it was agreed to.

Rep. E. G. Chant moved the following :

Resolved, —That this Grand Lodge adjourn to meet at eight o'clock this p. m., in secret session, for exemplification of the secret work.

Moved in amendment,

That " eight o'clock, this p. m." be stricken out and " nine o'clock a. m. to-morrow morning " inserted.

The question being upon the adoption of the amendment, it was resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on the motion of Rep. E. G. Chant, it was agreed to.

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EVENING SESSION.

The R. W. Grand Lodge re-assembled at eight o'clock pursuant to adjournment.

Present—The Grand Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

The Grand Conductor and Grand Marshal, having examined all present, reported them duly qualified ; whereupon, by order, the Grand Marshal declared the Grand Lodge duly open for the transaction of business.

On motion the reading of the minutes was left over till to-morrow morning.

After some time spent in secret session—during which the work was fully exemplified by the Grand Representatives—the Grand Lodge resumed its ordinary business, when, at ten o'clock p. m., the Grand Lodge adjourned to meet at nine o'clock to-morrow morning.

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MORNING SESSION.

STRATFORD, August 8, 1873.

The Grand Lodge met at 9 o'clock a. m., the M. W. Grand Master, Jno. Murray, in the chair.

On the roll being called, the following Officers were present :

JOHN MURRAY.....	M. W. GRAND MASTER.
GEORGE WRIGHT.....	R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.
R. WARRINER.....	R. W. GRAND WARDEN.
J. B. KING.....	R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.
A. D. CLEMENT.....	R. W. GRAND TREASURER.
JAMES WOODYATT.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
JOHN GIBSON.....	R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVE.
HARPER WILSON.....	R. W. GRAND MARSHALL.
JAMES F. MOREY.....	R. W. GRAND CONDUCTOR.
GEORGE MIDGELY.....	R. W. GRAND GUARDIAN.
WM. FITZSIMMONS.....	R. W. GRAND CHAPLAIN, <i>pro tem.</i>

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by the Grand Chaplain.

The Grand Marshal and Grand Conductor, by order of the M. W. Grand Master, examined all present and declared them duly qualified ; whereupon, by direction of the chair, the Grand Marshal declared the Grand Lodge open for the transaction of business.

The minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell,
Seconded by R. Griffith, and

Resolved.—That the Committee on Mileage be instructed to calculate the mileage of Representatives on the basis of the nearest Railway route.

The consideration of the reports of the Special Committee on the subject of clause 10 of the Grand Master's Address, referring to inviting the Grand Lodge of the United States to hold its Session of 1874 in Ontario—being the special order for this hour—the question being on the adoption of the report and resolution, it was

Moved by Rep. M. E. Snider,
Seconded by Rep. E. G. Chant, in amendment,

That all after the word "that" in the resolution of the majority report be stricken out and the following inserted: "Our Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to invite that Grand Body to hold its Session of 1874 in Ontario."

On motion, Rep. Jno. Richmond was allowed to withdraw the minority report of the Committee.

The question being on the adoption of the amendment of Rep. M. E. Snider,

Rep. W. F. Roome moved, seconded by Rep. R. Gibb, to amend the amendment as follows :

Resolved.—That the Report be referred back to the Committee to further consider the question, to estimate the cost, and how the money should be raised, so that this Grand Lodge may be able to vote intelligently on the question.

The question now being on the adoption of the amendment of Rep. W. F. Roome, it was resolved in the negative.

The question recurring on the adoption of the amendment of M. E. Snider, it was not agreed to.

The question then recurring upon the adoption of the Majority Report of the Committee, it was adopted.

Reps. Dr. Jno. Lawrence and Wm. Bissell, P. G. M., on motion were granted leave of absence for the remainder of the Session.

H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., from the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, presented the following Report, which was considered *seriatim* as read:

Report of Committee on Laws of Subordinates.

STRATFORD, Aug. 8, 1873.

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

The above Committee, in accordance with the instructions accompanying the appointment of the same, submit for approval the following:

Several amendments to the Constitution for Subordinates having been adopted at the last Session of this Grand Lodge, in Windsor, your Committee deemed it advisable to call attention to the fact that but few of the Lodges have made the alterations ordered, but continue to use and distribute their Constitutions as though they had never been amended. This leads to confusion and inconvenience in many ways, but more especially to new Lodges, which are continually copying the Constitutions and By-Laws of older Lodges, supposing them to be correct, when in many important particulars they are wrong.

In many cases we find that alterations ordered by this Grand Lodge one and two years since, in the matter of By-laws, have not yet been made. Whether this state of affairs is the result of carelessness on the part of those who should attend to it, or of indifference and contempt of the authority of this Grand Lodge, it is not for us to say, but it does appear useless for this Committee to report the same errors in the same cases year after year; indeed, it is worse than useless, because time thus spent would be better spent in the more careful revision of the Laws of new Lodges which are sent here for the first time for approval and correction.

On account of the length of our Report, we have embodied our views in as few words as possible, consistent with making ourselves understood.

WALKERTON LODGE, No. 84.

h. Five Constitutional amendments ordered last year omitted.

By-Law 9, 23rd page, third line, after the word "Committees" insert the words "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 45, strike out \$25 (a) and insert \$20 (a).

Form of appeal submitted not appropriate.

VICTORIA LODGE, No. 64.

h. Five constitutional amendments ordered last year omitted.

By-law 6, page 23, 4th line after the word "committees," insert the words "originally filled by his appointment."

b. By-law 43, after "him," in second line, insert the words "pertaining to his right to benefits." This correction was ordered two years since.

c. By-law 49, page 36, after the word "preceding," in second line, insert the words "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

AYLMER LODGE, No. 94.

(A New Lodge.)

By-law 1, strike out "election" and insert "ballot."

By-law 12, page 27, top of page, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

d. By-law 48, strike out "\$3" and "\$2.50," and insert in each case "\$2.40," or else increase quarterly dues to \$1.25.

a. By-law 51, (unless By-law 34 is amended by inserting "\$1.60" instead of "\$1"), strike out "\$32" and "\$26" and insert in each case "\$20."

Form of appeal submitted inappropriate.

By-law 35, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

RONDEAU LODGE, No. 40.

By-law 27, in twenty-third line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Four errata inserted on fly-leaf instead of being printed on slips and pasted in proper places.

g. Laws, &c., not certified by signatures of officers.

PORT STANLEY LODGE, No. 95.

(A New Lodge.)

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 12, eleventh line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 51, strike out "\$32" and insert "\$30."

CLINTON LODGE, No. 83.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 5, page 2 of By-laws, twenty-fourth line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

An amendment to Article 1, Sec. 2, is offered in relation to medical certificate—which we approve.

g. Laws, &c., not certified by proper officers.

COLLINGWOOD, No. 54.

h. Five Constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 51, not yet amended as ordered last year. *g.* Laws, &c., not certified as required.

HURON LODGE, No. 62.

h. Five Constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 8, page 30, nineteenth line, after "Committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Amendments ordered last year to By-law 61, only inserted in one copy of Laws submitted.

QUEEN CITY OF ONTARIO, No. 56.

h. Five Constitutional amendments of last year not inserted.

By-law 9, page 21, twenty-third line, after "Committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Several amendments are submitted in writing to By-law No. 40, in relation to investments which we approved—manuscript properly certified by seal and signature.

a. By-law 47, strike out "\$40," and insert "\$30."

c. By-law 62, after "effect" in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. Printed copies of Laws submitted not certified to by signatures. Form of Appeal annexed not appropriate.

WARDSVILLE, No. 60.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 24, 22nd page, first line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 79, not stricken out, and By-law 82 not amended as ordered last year.

c. By-law 95, after "effect" in first line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. By-laws not certified by officers' signatures.

UNION LODGE, No. 16.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-laws, Article 3, Section 4, sixteenth line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Article 3, Section 14, second line, strike out "quarter," and insert "term."

d. Article 6, Section 2, first line, strike out "\$4," and insert "\$3.60."

a. Article 6, Section 7, third line, strike out "\$40," and insert "\$30."

a. Article 6, Section 8, second line, strike out "\$40," and insert "\$30."

Amendment to Article 7, Section 6, as numbered, should be inserted after the word "him," in first line, instead of at the end of the section.

Article 6, Clause 2, strike out last sentence referring to weeks' sickness.

Amendments made to Article 7, Section 15, should be inserted after the word "effect" in the fourth line, instead of at the end of the section.

NAPANEE, No. 86.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year not properly inserted.

d. By-laws, Article 1, Clause 18, second paragraph, strike out "\$3.00" and "\$2.50," and insert "\$2.40," in each case.

Article 4, Clause 2, twenty-fifth line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Article 12, Clause 3, not stricken out as ordered last year.

Amendment to Article 3, Clause 1, sixth line, in regard to Degree Master, we approve.

Form of Appeal in appendix, not appropriate.

Article 7, Clause 4, strike out "term," and insert "quarter."

FOREST CITY, No. 88.

Constitutional amendments are properly inserted.

Amendments to By-laws, as ordered last year, have been made, but instead of inserting them in their proper places, they are pasted upon inside of cover.

By-law 24, after "committees," top of twenty-second page, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Amendments to By-laws 45 and 47, raising Admittance Fees, we approve.

g. Two copies not certified as required.

DURHAM, No. 78.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 10, 18th page, eleventh line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-laws 51 and 58, not amended as ordered last year.

g. By-laws, &c., not certified properly by Lodge seal and Officers' signatures.

EXETER LODGE, No. 67.

- h.* Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.
By-laws 4, 9 and 62 not amended as ordered last year. (*g.*) Copies not certified by officers.
Form of appeal appended not appropriate.
- b.* By-law 45, strike out.

EMPIRE LODGE, No. 87.

- h.* Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.
By-laws, Article 3, Clause 4, eighteenth line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."
Amendments ordered last year to Article 6, clauses 2, 7, 8 and 13 have not been made.
Amendments ordered last year to Article 7, clauses 6 and 15, are inserted at the ends of the clauses, and not where ordered.
Article 5, clause 5, strike out "term," and insert "quarter."
Article 6, clause 2, strike out last sentence.

MINTO LODGE, No. 98.

(A New Lodge.)

- h.* Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.
By-law 19, page 25, eleventh line from the top, after "committees," insert the words "originally filled by his appointment."
The two copies before us were the By-laws of Samaritan Lodge, which Minto has adopted, and, with the above amendments and the requisite change in name, number and location, we approve the same.

NIAGARA FALLS LODGE, No. 53.

- h.* Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.
b. By-law 60, after the word "charges," in first line, insert the words "pertaining to his right to benefits."
g. Both copies sealed; only one certified to by signatures.
a. By-law 54, strike out.

RELIANCE LODGE, No. 89.

- h.* Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted in proper places, but inserted on fly-leaf.
By-laws, 3 errata and 5 corrections ordered last year inserted in the same manner.
By-law 9, twenty-second line, after "committees," insert the words "originally filled by his appointment."
g. Neither copy certified by signatures as required.

LINDSAY LODGE, No. 100.

(A New Lodge.)

The five constitutional amendments properly inserted.

e. Constitution, Art. 2, clause 11, second line, insert the words "more than" after the word "by."

By-law 9, as numbered, page 23, after "committees," in thirteenth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 7, strike out "election" and insert "ballot."

There seems to be no By-law No. 9, consequently the remaining laws are incorrectly numbered.

f. In 10, as numbered, strike out all after the second word, "ceremony"; 22, as numbered, is evidently wrong in regard to date, "1870," because Lindsay Lodge was not then organized; b. 63, as numbered, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

By-law 38, as numbered, strike out "term," and insert "quarter."

c. By-law 70, as numbered, after "effect" in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Have been using Warriner Lodge By-laws, two copies of which are before us, accompanied by a letter from the Recording Secretary, over the seal of Lindsay Lodge, certifying to the adoption of the same, with requisite amendments by Lindsay Lodge.

SAMARITAN LODGE, No. 35.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 19, page 25, eleventh line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-laws 49 and 84, not amended as ordered last year.

g. Copies not certified as required.

OTTER LODGE, No. 50.

No Constitution sent us.

By-laws in manuscript, only one copy.

g. By-law 12, page 3, third line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 35, strike out "term," and insert "quarter."

HOWARD LODGE, No. 58.

Lately burned out.

No Constitution submitted.

g. Only one copy of By-laws; principally in manuscript.

By-law 50, strike out last three lines.

a. By-law 57, strike out.

- c. By-law 81, after "effect" in fourth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."
 g. Not properly certified by Officers.

ROYAL OAK LODGE, No. 108.

(A New Lodge.)

No Constitution submitted.

By-laws and Rules of Order in manuscript.

g. Only one copy.

By-law 10, page 4, line twenty-second, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 34, strike out "term" in last line, and insert "quarter."

b. By-law 57, strike out.

By-law 59, after "him" in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

DOMINION LODGE, No. 48.

~~Constitutional~~ amendments all properly inserted.

Amendment to By-law 32, raising Admission Fees, we approve.

By-law 12, eleventh line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

NITH LODGE, No. 96.

(A New Lodge.)

No Constitution submitted.

By-law 10, 4th page, fourth line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

d. By-law 57, strike out.

b. By-law 59, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE LODGE, No. 66.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-laws, Article 3, clause 3, paragraph 4, after "committee," in sixth line, insert, "originally filled by his appointment."

b. Article 7, Clause 5, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. Article 7, Clause 13, page 46, after "effect," in third line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. Not certified as required.

BELLEVILLE LODGE, No. 81.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

d. By-law, Article 3, Clause 4, strike out "\$3.50," and insert "\$3."

Article 4, Clause 3, page 27, after "committee," in twenty-second line insert "originally filled by his appointment."

d. Article 11, Clause 1, strike out "50cts." and insert "at the rate of \$3 per week."

The form of appeal appended not appropriate.

g. Laws, &c., not certified as required.

Article 7, Clause 4, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

HOPE LODGE, No. 69.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 10, page 21, after "committee," in twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

The form of appeal appended not appropriate.

g. Copies submitted not certified as required.

BEAVER LODGE, No. 82.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, after "committee," in twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

The form of appeal appended not appropriate.

CHATHAM LODGE, No. 29.

Constitutional amendments and amendments to By-laws have been made and inserted on fly-leaf, instead of in their proper places.

By-law 27, after "committees," in twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 51, in fourteenth line, after "commencing," insert "not more than;" and after "week," in same line, insert "anterior to."

WATERLOO LODGE, No. 107.

(A New Lodge.)

h. Have apparently copied Old Constitution, instead of the Revised one, omitting also the five constitutional amendments of last year.

f. By-law 3, after the word "ceremony," in third line, strike out the balance of the law.

d. By-law 46, strike out "\$4" and insert "\$3."

a. By-law 51, strike out.

b. By-law 58, after "charges," in first line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

By-law 72, after "effect," in fourth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension and non-payment of dues."

UNITY LODGE, No. 47.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 8, 24th page, after "committee," in twenty-first line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 54, fourth line, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$35."

c. By-law 60, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. Copies not certified as required.

By-law 29, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

Amendments offered to By-law 40, raising weekly benefits, and By-law 28, as to time of dues being payable, we approve.

BISSELL LODGE, No. 51.

h. Clauses 8 and 9, of Article 2 of Constitution, and Clause 5 of Article 6, not amended as ordered by Grand Lodge last year.

By-law 9, after "committee," in twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Amendments to By-laws 42 and 61 not made as ordered last year.

One copy of amendment, so called, not numbered, referring to notices required in case of sickness, is before us, which we approve.

ORION LODGE, No. 109.

(A New Lodge.)

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 10, page 36, after "committees," in eleventh line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 49, strike out last sentence on one week benefits.

MAPLE LEAF LODGE, No. 57.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, after "committees," in twenty-second line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 46, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$30."

e. By-law 61, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in cases of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Form of appeal appended not appropriate.

KINGSTON LODGE, No. 59.

h. Constitutional amendments to article 2, Clause 8, and to Article 6, Clause 5, as ordered last year, are not correctly copied and inserted.

Article 1, By-law 11, after the word "by," in second line, insert the words "more than."

Article 4, Clause 2, page 24, after the word "committees," in fourth line, insert the words "originally filled by his appointment."

Page 36, Clause 8, strike out all after and including the figure "6," in the eleventh line.

Article 7, Clause 3, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

c. Page 41, Clause 4th, after "effect," fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

GOLDEN STAR LODGE, No. 101.

(A New Lodge.)

All constitutional amendments properly adopted and inserted.

By-laws, Article 3, Section 2, page 22, after "committee," in seventeenth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Article 5, Section 1, strike out all after "V. G." and insert "and the V. G. shall announce the result first."

The form of appeal appended not appropriate.

OXFORD LODGE, No. 77.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 19, page 25, after "committee," in eleventh line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Amendments ordered last year to By-laws 49 and 84 not made.

g. Copies not certified as required.

NORTH STAR LODGE, No. 68.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 4, after "committee," in twentieth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

b. By-law 51, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 60, after "effect," in fourth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

CRESCENT LODGE, No. 104.

(A New Lodge.)

Constitutional amendments all properly inserted.

By-law 8, after "committees," in twenty-first line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-laws 44 and 45, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$35" in each.

c. By-law 61, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

WESTERN CITY LODGE, No. 98.

h. Constitutional amendments inserted on fly-leaf, instead of in their proper places.

By-law 27, after "committees," in twenty-eighth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

g. Copies not properly certified.

By-law 51, after "commencing," in fourteenth line, insert "not more than," and after "week" insert "anterior to."

BROCK LODGE, No. 9.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law, Article 5, Clause 2, page 20, after "committees," in nineteenth line, insert the words "originally filled by his appointment."

Article 7, Clause 4, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

b. Article 12, strike out Clause 3.

b. Article 13, Clause 2, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. Article 15, Clause 4, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. Copies not certified as required.

OLIVE BRANCH LODGE, No. 88.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 12, after "committees," in eleventh line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 35, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

By-law 51, not amended as ordered last year.

Order of business, under Rule 2, Rules of Order omitted.

Rules numbered incorrectly.

g. Copies not certified as required.

CORINTHIAN LODGE, No. 61.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, page 21, after "committees," in twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Amendments ordered to By-laws 58 and 64 made, but inserted on fly-leaf.

g. Copies not certified as required.

IVY LODGE, No. 90.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-laws, Article 3, Section 5, Clause 1, page 6, after "committees," in fourth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

b. Article 7, Section 1, Clause 1, strike out paragraph 3.

b. Article 7, Section 2, Clause 1, paragraph 2, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

Article 6, Section 2, Clause 1, strike out last sentence.

c. Article 7, Section 4, Clause 1, paragraph 4, after "effect," in fourth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Article 5, Section 2, Clause 2, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

DORONTO LODGE, No. 102.

(*A New Lodge.*)

h. Four constitutional amendments of last year not correctly made.

a. By-laws, Article 1, Clause 18, strike out "\$3" and "\$2.50" and insert "\$2.40," or else raise quarterly dues to \$1.25 instead of \$1.

By-laws, Article 4, Clause 2, after "committees," in twenty-fifth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. Article 11, Clause 2, strike out "\$3" and "\$2.50" and insert "\$2.40," or else raise quarterly dues to \$1.25.

a. Article 11, Clause 8, strike out "\$30" and insert "\$20," or else increase quarterly dues to \$1.50.

Article 11, Clause 8, strike out all after the fifth paragraph, commencing with the figure "6."

a. Article 11, Clause 9, strike out "\$30" and insert "\$20," or else raise quarterly dues to \$1.50.

b. Article 12, strike out Clause 3.

The form of appeal appended not appropriate.

Article 7, Clause 4, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

VALLEY CITY LODGE No. 117.

(*A New Lodge.*)

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 8, page 24, after "committees," twenty-first line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-laws 44 and 45, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$30" in each case.

c. By-law 60, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Have adopted Unity Lodge By-laws, with necessary alterations of name, &c.

g. Copies not certified as required.

By-law 29, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

ERIE LODGE, No. 33.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 34, page 28, after "committees," in ninth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 59, after the word "determine," in fifth line, insert the words "not exceeding \$30 per annum."

b. By-law 70, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 80, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Rules of Order not arranged as prescribed by the Grand Lodge.

g. Copies not certified as required.

By-law 56, in sixth line, strike out "two" and insert "one."

NIPISSING LODGE, No. 79.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, after "committees," in twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 46, strike out "\$40," and insert "\$30."

c. By-law 61, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Form of appeal appended not appropriate.

g. Copies not certified as required.

FERGUS LODGE, No. 73.

h. Constitutional amendments properly inserted, except Clause 8, Article 2, which is not correct.

By-law 9, page 26, after "committees," in fifth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 43, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$30."

By-law 61, after the word "to," in fifth line, strike out "take" and insert "that."

The form of appeal appended is inappropriate.

PEABODY LODGE, No. 99.

(A New Lodge.)

Constitutional amendments properly inserted.

a. By-law 52, strike out.

c. By-law 74, after the word "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. Copies not certified as required.

MILTON LODGE, No. 92.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, page 30, after "committees," in last line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 46, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$30."

ST. THOMAS LODGE, No. 76.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 12, after "committees," in eleventh line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 51, strike out "\$32" and insert "\$30."

b. By-law 62, after the word "benefit," in third line, insert the words "pertaining to his right to benefits."

g. Copies not certified as required.

By-law 25, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 44.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, page 23, after "committee," in twenty-first line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-laws 42 and 43, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$30," in each case.

b. By-law 53, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 59, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Rule of Order 23, strike out "Canada West" and insert "Ontario."

Form of appeal appended not appropriate.

g. Copies not certified as required.

GRAND RIVER LODGE, No. 91.

Constitutional amendments properly inserted.

By-law 12, after "committees," on page 19, second line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

g. Copies not certified as required.

a. By-law 42, strike out.

ST. MARY'S LODGE, No. 96.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

g. Copies not certified as required.

f. By-law 4, strike out all after "ceremony," in third line.

By-law 12, after "on," in fourth line, strike out "the."

By-law 15, after "committees," in seventeenth line, strike out the words "or in," and insert "and."

c. By-law 62, after "effect," in fourth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

By-law 15, strike out.

CATARACT LODGE, No. 103.

(A New Lodge.)

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

f. By-law 4, strike out all after "ceremony," in third line.

b. By-law 60, after "charges," in first line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

By-law 54, strike out.

c. By-law 78, after "effect," in fourth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Have adopted Niagara Falls By-laws, but in copies before us the name, number, date of institution, location and night of meeting have not been changed.

g. Copies not certified as required.

MANILLA LODGE, No. 105.

(A New Lodge.)

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

See appendix to Journal of Grand Lodge of Ontario, 1872.

By-law 9, page 23, after "committees," in thirteenth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

b. By-law 55, after "him," in second line, insert, pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 62, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Have been and still are using copies of Warriner Lodge By-laws, two copies of which are before us (with some changes as to name, location, &c.) as having been adopted by Manilla Lodge. Night of meeting seems to be the same as Warriner.

In the Constitution, Article 3, Clause 7, after the word "be," in second line, insert the words "in nomination such brothers shall be."

g. Copies before us not properly certified.

EASTERN STAR LODGE, No. 72.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

Constitution, Article 3, Clause 7, after the word "be," in second line, insert the words "in nomination such brother shall be."

By-law 9, page 23, after "committees," in thirteenth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 30, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

b. By-law 55, after "him," in second line, insert, "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 62, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

g. Copies not certified as required.

GORE LODGE, No. 34.

Constitutional amendments properly inserted.

f. By-law 4, strike out all after the second word, "ceremony."

By-law 58, strike out.

b. By-law 59, after "charges," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 73, after "effect," in fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Form of appeal appended inappropriate.

g. Copies not certified as required.

FRIENDSHIP LODGE, No. 65.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 14, after "committees," in eleventh line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 54, strike out "\$40" and insert "\$30."

f. By-law 63, strike out all after the word "initiation."

A new By-law, 92, electing physician, we approve.

g. Copies not properly certified.

LUCKNOW LODGE, No. 112.

(A New Lodge.)

No Constitution submitted.

g. Only one copy of By-laws, in manuscript.

By-law 14, after "committee," in nineteenth line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 31, strike out "term" and insert "quarter."

LUCAN LODGE, No. 70.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted

By-law 46, strike out.

c. By-law 63, after "effect," in fourth line, insert " and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

AVON LODGE, No. 41.

No Constitution submitted.

Two copies of By-laws, in manuscript.

By-law 9, after "committees," in fourth line, insert, "originally filled by his appointment."

By-law 38, strike out all after "week," in ninth line.

AMITY LODGE, No. 80.

h. Constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

a. By-law 49, strike out "\$20" and insert "\$12.50."

By-law 44, strike out "and shall have taken the Scarlet Degree." In the fifth line, after "brother," insert "of the Scarlet Degree." Strike out all after the fourteenth line to the word "funds," and insert "any bona fide member, in good standing, who has not attained the Scarlet Degree, shall be entitled to half-weekly benefits allowed above." Same Clause, page 3, of manuscript, strike out "voted" and insert "paid."

Clause 10, line 14, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

Only one printed copy of By-laws.

g. Two manuscript copies of amendments, neither properly certified.

The amendments of this Lodge were so awkwardly arranged that we were strongly inclined to recommend their return to Amity Lodge for proper arrangement.

HARMONY LODGE, No. 115.

(A New Lodge.)

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year are properly inserted.

f. By-law 4, strike out all after the second word, "ceremony."

b. By-law 58, strike out.

b. By-law 59, after "charges," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

c. By-law 73, after "effect" in fifth line, insert " and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Form of appeal appended inappropriate.

Four amendments (in manuscript) to By-laws in the matter of appointing a physician, and in regard to fees and dues—we approve.

Several amendments changing quarterly payments to semi-annual payments, we do not approve.

Also, several changes in regard to name, number, night of meeting, &c., we approve.

These latter arise from the fact of having adopted the By-laws of Gore Lodge.

g. Copies not certified as required.

EUREKA LODGE, No. 30.

h. Five constitutional amendments ordered last year omitted.

f. By-law 4, strike out all after the word "ceremony," in the fourth line.

Page 19; after the word "committees," in seventh line insert "originally filled by his appointment."

b. By-law 61, after the word "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits." And strike out the words "when such charges relate to his being" and insert "shall be."

c. By-law 75, after the word "effect," in the fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

a. By-law 53, strike out all after the word "widowhood," in the fifth line, to the word "should," in the seventh.

g. Copies not certified as required.

WARRINER LODGE, No. 75.

h. Five Constitutional amendments properly inserted.

By-law 9, in twenty-third line, after "committee," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

b. By-law 55, after "him," in second line, insert "pertaining to his right to benefits."

g. Copies not certified as required.

COVENANT LODGE, No. 52.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, after the word "committees," in the twenty-third line, insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 47, strike out "\$40," and insert "\$30."

c. By-law 62, after "effect" in the fifth line, insert "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Several amendments to the By-laws of this Lodge are submitted, part in ink and part in pencil, to which we can find no objection, except that they are presented at the last moment and in an informal and almost illegible shape. Two printed copies of By-laws certified by seal only. Manuscript in ink has no seal, and is signed "Q. U. E. D." The amendments in pencil are neither signed nor sealed.

Form of appeal not appropriate.

THE TORONTO LODGE, No. 71.

h. Five constitutional amendments of last year omitted.

By-law 9, in twenty-third line, after "committees," insert "originally filled by his appointment."

a. By-law 46, strike out "\$40," and insert "\$33."

c. By-law 61, after "effect," in fifth line, insert, "and the consent of the Grand Lodge thereto, except in case of suspension for non-payment of dues."

Form of appeal not appropriate.

Amendments to By-law 30, increasing dues from \$1.50 to \$1.65; a new By-law, No. 64, in relation to a dispensing chemist and changing numbers of By-laws (old numbers "64" and "65") to "65" and "66" respectively, we approve.

These amendments are in pencil.

g. Only one of amendments, and the two copies of By-laws are not certified as required.

In conclusion, your Committee submit, that they have revised as carefully as time would permit, the By-laws and Constitutions of 70 Lodges.

It is possible, that in revising so many laws, in so short a time, some errors have been overlooked, it would surprise us if that was not the case, but we feel confident that in those points we have submitted for your approval, there are no mistakes.

Six of the older Lodges, Frontier 45, Mt. Zion 46, Canada 49, Barrie 63, Bothwell 74, and Grand Union 97, have submitted nothing for our examination. Seven Lodges instituted since the last Session of Grand Lodge, up to the 1st of July last, St. Clair 105, Laurel 110, Peterborough 111, Trenton 113, Ganaoquoque 114, and Naomi 116, have presented no By-laws for approval.

It seems remarkable and unaccountable, that with a plain enactment in the Constitution for Subordinate Lodges, that By-laws and all amendments to the same, shall be submitted in duplicate, certified by the seal of the Lodge and the signatures of the N. G. and Secretary, that scarcely one in ten of those submitted, are properly certified.

In the Report of your Representatives from the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States at this Session, we are informed that the enactment in Article 2, Clause 2, of the Constitution for Subordinates, restricting admission to our Lodges to men not over 50 years of age, is invalid, and this will of course necessitate an amendment to the Constitution for Subordinates, as well as to the By-laws of a great many of the Subordinates on these matters.

Year after year this Committee is called upon to revise the laws of the same Lodges, and upon exactly the same points. The necessity for this should not be repeated, and need not be, if the Lodges will attend at once to the correction of their laws as pointed out.

This should be done by means of blank and printed slips, pasted on in their appropriate places, and not upon fly leaves at the beginning or end of their By-laws. Instead of giving authorities repeatedly in our Report, we have thought better to give references, by means of small letters to foot notes at the end of our Report, citing the authorities in each case.

Believing, if immediate attention is given to these corrections and recommendations, that uniformity will be secured, that less misunderstanding of law will arise, and that easier tasks will be assigned the Committee on By-laws in future, we cheerfully and hopefully conclude what has certainly been to us a tedious and perplexing work, and we fear, a tedious Report to you.

We therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

H. C. BINGHAM,
CL. T. CAMPBELL,
THOS. PARTRIDGE.

FOOT NOTES TO ABOVE REPORT.

- a. Constitution for Subordinates, Article 5, Clause 10.
- b. Digest, page 71, Section 321.
- c. Digest, page 355, Section 1677.
- d. Constitution for Subordinates, Article 5, Clause 6.
- e. Constitution for Subordinates, Article 2, Clause 11.
- f. Ritual.
- g. Constitution for Subordinates, Article 8, Clause 2.
- h. See Appendix to G. L. Journal for 1872, (Windsor Session).

On motion to adopt that Clause referring to Excelsior Lodge, No. 44, Rep. J. S. McMahon, moved the following :

Resolved,—That the words "Constitutional amendments of last year," be stricken out—which was not agreed to.

The Report as a whole, was adopted.

The following resolution by Rep. J. J. Dyas, seconded by Rep. W. S. Campbell, was unanimously resolved in the affirmative :

Resolved,—That the members of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, viz : H. C. Bingham, P.G.M., Thomas Partridge, P.G.M., and Cl. T. Campbell, P. G., receive the hearty thanks of this Grand Lodge for their very arduous labors, and that the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, be instructed to include in their Report proper allowances to said Committee.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Moved by Rep. J. S. McMahon,
Seconded by Rep. John Richmond, and

Resolved,—That this Grand Lodge do hereafter meet in the following places only, and in the order named : Hamilton, London, Toronto and St. Catharines.

The following was presented by Rep. Henry Gibson, and referred to the Committee on State of the Order:

After the Report of a Committee on Character has been read, should not any Brother present have the right to make remarks, either for or against the candidate, before the ballot is taken?

Reps. J. W. Fletcher and David Johns asked leave of absence for the remainder of the Session, which, on motion, was granted.

W. N. Ford, P.G.M., from the Committee on Legislation presented the following Report, which was considered *seriatim* as read:

Report of Committee on Legislation.

STRATFORD, Aug. 8, 1873.

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

We, your Committee on Legislation beg leave to report as follows:

1st. As to Clause 17, of the M. W. Grand Master's report: We recommend that the whole jurisdiction should be divided into Districts, as follows:

- District No. 1.—To consist of the Counties of Leeds, Grenville, Dundas, Stormont, Glengarry, Prescott, Russell, Carleton, Lanark and Renfrew.
- “ “ 2.—To consist of the Counties of Frontenac, Lennox and Addington.
- “ “ 3.—To consist of the Counties of Prince Edward and Hastings.
- “ “ 4.—To consist of the Counties of Northumberland and Peterborough.
- “ “ 5.—To consist of the Counties of Durham and Victoria.
- “ “ 6.—To consist of the County of Ontario.
- “ “ 7.—To consist of the County of York.
- “ “ 8.—To consist of the County of Simcoe.
- “ “ 9.—To consist of the Counties of Peel and Halton.
- “ “ 10.—To consist of the County of Grey.
- “ “ 11.—To consist of the County of Bruce.
- “ “ 12.—To consist of the County of Huron.
- “ “ 13.—To consist of the County of Wellington and the Town of Orangeville.
- “ “ 14.—To consist of the County of Brant and South Riding of Waterloo.
- “ “ 15.—To consist of the Counties of Wentworth and Haldimand.
- “ “ 16.—To consist of the Counties of Lincoln and Welland.
- “ “ 17.—To consist of the Counties of Elgin and Norfolk.
- “ “ 18.—To consist of the County of Oxford.

- District No. 19.—To consist of the County of Middlesex, E., W., and London.
 “ “ 20.—To consist of the County of Perth South, and Middlesex North.
 “ “ 21.—To consist of the County of Essex.
 “ “ 22.—To consist of the County of Kent.
 “ “ 23.—To consist of the County of Lambton.
 “ “ 24.—To consist of the Counties of Perth North, and Waterloo North.

2nd. Your Committee recommend that a D.D.G.M., as provided for in the Constitution, Clause 10, whose duty is defined in Constitution, Clause 22, be appointed for each of the above named Districts, whose duty, in addition to his previously defined duties, it shall be, to institute all new Lodges in his District, upon the order of the Grand Master, and to visit each Lodge in his District at least twice in each year—the necessary expenses of such two official visits to be borne by this Grand Lodge—unless other visits are ordered by the M. W. G. M., in such case, the expenses of such visits shall also be paid by this R. W. Grand Lodge.

3rd. As to Clause 3, of the R. W. Grand Secretary's Report, your Committee recommend that the Grand Secretary furnish each Lodge in the Jurisdiction, not already supplied, with the same, with two copies of the new Charge Book, charging therefor as in the case of ordinary supplies; and that all old Charge Books in the Jurisdiction be called in and destroyed.

4th. As to Clause 7, of the R. W. Grand Secretary's Report, your Committee recommend that Clause 8, of Article 2, of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges be struck out, and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof: “The rejection of any candidate for membership, shall be immediately intimated to every subordinate Lodge in the City, Town or Village in which such rejection takes place.”

5th. As to Clause 12, of the R. W. Grand Secretary's Report, your committee recommends that no change be made in the Constitution.

6th. As to Clause 14, of the R. W. Grand Secretary's Report, your Committee considers that the practice of Lodges using Singing Odes, printed otherwise than as provided for by Section 807, Digest, is illegal, and should be discontinued at once.

7th. As to the first part of the question of Rep. Diamond, of Belleville Lodge, “Can Subordinate Lodges have their By-laws so amended as to compel members to pay their regular contributions or dues semi-annually, instead of quarterly, as at present?” Answer.—No.

2. “If not, is it not advisable, in the interest of the Order, to have the Constitution so amended as to enable them to pass such a Clause, in order that members may be clear upon the books during the possession by them of the Term Pass Word?” Answer.—Your Committee thinks it not advisable at present.

8th. As to that portion of the Grand Representatives' Report submitted to us, we recommend that Clause 1, of Article 2, of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges be struck out, and that the following be inserted in lieu thereof: “Candidates for membership in this Lodge must be white males, of the full age

of twenty-one years, of good moral character, and in sound health, and resident within the jurisdiction of this Lodge, at least six months."

We therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

All of which is respectfully submitted by yours in F. L. and T.

WM. N. FORD,
W. S. CAMPBELL,
JOHN DEWAR,
ISAAC F. TOMS,
JAMES F. McDONALD.

On motion to adopt Clause 1, Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, moved the following amendment, which was resolved in the negative :

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, and

Resolved,—That all after the word "that" be stricken out, and the following inserted: "The Districts be arranged according to Counties—provided each County possesses two Lodges and five P. G's. in good standing, and that isolated Lodges be attached to adjacent Counties, or where two adjacent Counties possess the requisite number of Lodges and P. G's., in good standing, they may be constituted a District at the discretion of the Grand Master."

The question recurring on the adoption of the Clause, it was adopted.

On motion to adopt Clause 2 of the Report, Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, moved to amend the Clause as follows :

Moved by Rep. Cl. T. Campbell, and

Resolved,—That all after the word "that" be stricken out, and the following inserted: "The P. G's. in good standing in each District be organized into a District Committee, with power to hear and determine all questions, grievances and appeals—subject always to an appeal to the G. M., and that the D. D. G. M., be nominated by the District Committee, and be instructed to institute all new Lodges in the District, visit at least twice a year, unless further directed by the G. M., instal the officers, and perform such other duties now devolving upon them, their necessary expenses to be paid by this Grand Lodge."

Resolved in the negative.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the Clause, it was adopted.

Clauses 3, 4, 5 and 6 adopted.

On the motion to adopt Clause 7, H. C. Bingham, P. G. M., seconded by Rep. W. J. Diamond, moved the following amendment, which was resolved in the negative :

Resolved,—That the word "no," in the answer of the Committee be stricken out, and the word "yes" inserted—referring to first section of the Clause.

The Report as a whole was then adopted.

Rep. W. Mowatt, from the Finance Committee, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Finance Committee.

STRATFORD, August 8th, 1873.

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

Your Finance Committee having had under their consideration the Resolution submitted to them, in reference to reimbursing P. G. M., John Gibson, for services to this R. W. Grand Lodge, during his incumbency of the office of M. W. Grand Master, regret that this matter was not disposed of by this Grand Body at its last Session, but nevertheless, they recommend that brother Gibson be granted the sum of three hundred dollars, to reimburse him to some extent for his services on behalf of the Order in this jurisdiction.

Therefore be it

Resolved,—That this Report be adopted.

W. MOWATT,
H. GRIFFITH,
H. BLAIN,
W. D. GORDON,
GEO. W. JESSOP,
W. J. DIAMOND,
E. R. ROBINSON,
F. H. POPE.

Rep. H. E. Buttery, introduced his motion to amend the Constitution, notice of which was given at the last Session, as follows :

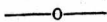
Moved by Rep. H. E. Buttery,
Seconded by J. O. Campbell, and

Resolved,—That Clause 5 be amended to read as follows :

CLAUSE 5—Every Lodge within the jurisdiction, shall, at its first meeting, in the month of July, annually, elect by ballot from amongst its Past Grands in good standing, a Representative or Representatives, as follows : that is to say, one Representative where the number of members in good standing, returned in the next preceding semi-annual Report, shall be 100 or less ; over 100 and under 200, two Representatives ; if over 200, three Representatives.

—Journal 1872. Page 885.

Pending which, on motion, the Grand Lodge adjourned at 1 o'clock, for an hour.



AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock, p. m.

The Grand Lodge re-assembled pursuant to adjournment.

Present, all the Grand Officers, and a quorum of Representatives.

The M. W. Grand Master announced the illness of R. W. Grand Representative, Bro. James Woodyatt, who was compelled to go home by order of his physician, and spoke with feeling regarding the loss sustained by this Grand Lodge in the absence of that Grand Officer.

Rep. W. Fitzsimmons, from the Committee on Appeals, presented the following Report, on the appeal of William Barley, *vs.* Minto Lodge, No. 98, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on Appeals.

STRATFORD, Aug. 8, 1873.

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

WILLIAM BARLEY,
vs.
MINTO LODGE, No. 98. }

Your Committee on Appeals, to whom the above case was referred, beg respectfully to report, that no notice of Appeal was served on said Lodge, nor was the consent of said Lodge obtained to such Appeal.

We therefore submit the following resolution :

Resolved,—That the said Appeal be dismissed without prejudice to the appellant.

WM. FITZSIMMONS,
H. GRIFFITH,
J. D. MATHESON,
M. E. SNIDER.

The following, resolution by W. N. Ford, P. G. M., was resolved in the affirmative :

Resolved,—That that part of the Report of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates (adopted at the present Session of this Grand Lodge), relating to the By-laws of Harmony Lodge, No. 115, be reconsidered ;

Whereupon, the Grand Lodge proceeded to reconsider the Clause in the Report, when the following was adopted :

Moved by W. N. Ford, P. G. M.,
Seconded by Rep. J. B. McIntyre, and

Resolved,—That the Report of the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, in that part relating to the By-laws of Harmony Lodge, No. 115, be amended by inserting "that the Committee do not approve of having the dues payable semi-annually instead of quarterly."

A standing vote being called, resulted :

Yeas—53. Nays—48.

The Report as amended was then adopted.

Rep. H. E. Buttery moved the adoption of the resolution, which was under consideration when the Grand Lodge adjourned—being the amendment to Art. 2, Clause 5—as follows, which was adopted :

CLAUSE 5.—Every Lodge within the jurisdiction shall, at its first meeting, in the month of July, annually, elect by ballot from amongst its Past Grands in good standing, a Representative or Representatives, as follows, that is to say : One Representative where the number of members in good standing, returned in the next preceding semi-annual report, shall be 100 or less ; over 100 and under 200, two Representatives ; if over 200, three Representatives.
—Journal 1872. Page 885.

Rep. W. J. Diamond, presented the following notice of amendment to Constitution, to be considered at the Annual Session of 1874 :

ARTICLE II—CLAUSE V.

Notice by Rep. W. J. Diamond :

CLAUSE 5.—Every Lodge within the jurisdiction shall, at its first meeting, in the month of July, annually, elect by ballot from its Past Grands in good standing, a Representative or Representatives as follows, that is to say : One Representative where the number of members returned in the next preceding semi-annual report shall be 100 or less ; over 100, two Representatives and no more.

Rep. J. O. Campbell presented the following notice of amendment to the Constitution :

ARTICLE IV—CLAUSE IX.

CLAUSE 9.—Strike out all after the words "Grand Lodge," and make the Clause read as follows: "Such *semi-annual* return shall be accompanied by the amount due the Grand Lodge; the same being twenty cents for each suspended member on said return."

Moved by Rep. J. A. Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. T. H. Vann,

Resolved,—That when the Grand Lodge adjourn, it do so, to meet on the first Wednesday in August, 1874, in the Town of Whitby.

Moved by Rep. W. J. Diamond,
Seconded by Rep. R. Tracey, in amendment,

Resolved,—That the word "Whitby" be struck out, and the word "Belleville" inserted.

Moved by Rep. J. T. Hornibrook,
Seconded by Rep. H. Wilson, in amendment to the amendment,

Resolved,—That the word "Belleville" be stricken out, and the word "Kingston" inserted.

The question being the adoption of the amendment by Rep. Hornibrook, it was resolved in the affirmative.

The motion as amended was adopted.

Rep. P. B. Hatch, from the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, submitted the following Report, which was adopted :

Report of Committee on Mileage and per Diem.

STRATFORD, Aug. 8, 1873.

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

Your Committee on Mileage and per Diem beg leave to submit the following Table and Resolution, namely :

Number of Officers and Representatives, 175. Gross amount of Mileage and per Diem, \$2,146.12.

TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

NAME OF LODGE.	No. of Lodge.	LOCATION.	Number of Miles Traveled.	No. of Reprs.	Rate per Mile.	Amount of Mileage.	No. of Days.	Rate per Day.	Total Amount per Diem.	Amount for each Representative.	NAME OF REPRESENTATIVE.
GRAND OFFICERS.											
Grand Master	...	Clifton.....	206	4	4	8 24	5	2 00	6 00	14 24	John Murray.
D. G. Master	...	Toronto.....	176	4	7 04	12 32	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	George Wright.
Grand Warden	...	Port Perry.....	272	4	10 88	33 12	3	2 00	6 00	16 88	R. Wariner.
Secretary	...	Brantford.....	78	4	3 12	12 33	3	2 00	6 00	9 12	J. B. King.
" Treasurer	...	"	78	4	3 12	12 33	3	2 00	6 00	9 12	A. D. Clement.
" Rep.	...	"	78	4	3 12	12 33	3	2 00	6 00	9 12	James Woodvatt.
" Rep.	...	Stratford.....	184	4	7 36	13 33	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	John Gibson.
" Marshal	...	St. Catharines.....	190	4	4 80	16 33	3	2 00	6 00	10 80	Harper Wilson.
" Conductor	...	Hamilton.....	66	4	2 64	3 33	3	2 00	6 00	8 64	George Midgely.
" Guardian	...	London.....	592	3	4	23 68	3	2 00	6 00	29 68	J. F. Morey.
Brock Lodge	9	Brockville.....	592	4	4	23 68	3	2 00	6 00	29 68	W. H. Cole.
" "	9	"	592	4	7 36	13 33	3	2 00	6 00	29 68	William Fitzsimmons.
" "	16	St. Catharines.....	184	5	4	7 36	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	R. Green.
Union	16	"	184	4	7 36	13 33	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	J. B. McIntyre.
" "	16	"	184	4	7 36	13 33	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	W. Chatfield.
" "	16	"	184	4	7 36	13 33	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	J. G. Steterson.
" "	16	"	184	4	7 36	13 33	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	T. Healey.
Chatham	29	Chatham.....	194	3	4	7 36	3	2 00	6 00	13 36	T. Thompson.
" "	29	"	194	4	4	7 76	3	2 00	6 00	13 76	John Turner.
" "	29	"	194	4	4	7 76	3	2 00	6 00	13 76	I. Smith.
" "	29	"	194	4	4	7 76	3	2 00	6 00	13 76	J. P. Young.
Eureka	30	London.....	66	5	4	2 64	3	2 00	6 00	8 64	James Heron.
" "	30	"	66	5	4	2 64	3	2 00	6 00	8 64	William Wyatt.

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Eureka	30	London	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	William Atkins.
"	30	"	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	E. R. Robinson.
"	30	"	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	John Mitchell.
Erie	33	Port Burwell	184	2	7 36	7 36	2	2 00	6 00	13 36	George W. Foutine.
"	33	"	184	2	7 36	7 36	2	2 00	6 00	13 36	George W. Hare.
Gore	34	Braunford	78	2	3 12	3 12	2	2 00	6 00	9 12	P. B. Hatch.
"	34	"	78	2	3 12	3 12	2	2 00	6 00	9 12	W. S. Campbell.
Samarian	35	Ingersoll	104	4	4 16	4 16	2	2 00	6 00	10 16	William Ballantyne.
"	35	"	104	4	4 16	4 16	2	2 00	6 00	10 16	William McNaughton.
"	35	"	104	4	4 16	4 16	2	2 00	6 00	10 16	J. F. McDonald.
"	35	"	104	4	4 16	4 16	2	2 00	6 00	10 16	George Dennis.
St. Mary's I.	36	St. Mary's	20	2	0 80	0 80	2	2 00	6 00	6 80	William N. Ford.
"	36	"	20	2	0 80	0 80	2	2 00	6 00	6 80	Richard Box.
Forest City	38	London	66	6	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	H. E. Buttery.
"	38	"	66	6	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	George Shaw.
"	38	"	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	Edward Beltz.
"	38	"	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	J. W. Fletcher.
"	38	"	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	S. Perry.
"	38	"	66	4	2 64	2 64	2	2 00	6 00	8 64	W. Bissell.
Rond Eau	40	Blenheim	218	2	4 82	4 82	2	2 00	6 00	14 72	R. J. Wilson.
"	40	"	218	2	4 82	4 82	2	2 00	6 00	14 72	N. Fletcher.
Avon	41	Stratford.	41	4	4 44	4 44	2	2 00	6 00	6 00	William Morvatt.
"	41	"	41	4	4 44	4 44	2	2 00	6 00	6 00	Cl. T. Campbell.
"	41	"	41	4	4 44	4 44	2	2 00	6 00	6 00	John Ross.

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Aven	41	Stratford	120	4	4	4	3	6 00	6 00	6 00	H. Gibson.
Excelsior	44	Hamilton	120	4	4	4	3	6 00	6 00	6 00	John Richmond.
"	44	"	120	4	4	4	3	6 00	6 00	6 00	R. Griffith.
"	44	"	120	4	4	4	3	6 00	6 00	6 00	J. S. McMahon.
"	44	"	120	4	4	4	3	6 00	6 00	6 00	C. E. Peirce.
Frontier	45	Windsor	286	3	4	11	4	2 00	4 00	17 44	H. McAfee.
"	45	"	286	4	4	11	4	2 00	6 00	17 44	J. W. Johnston.
"	45	"	286	4	4	11	4	2 00	6 00	17 44	J. S. Edgar.
Mount Zion	46	Newbury	134	1	4	4	3	2 00	6 00	10 76	W. F. Roome.
Unity	47	Hamilton	120	2	4	4	3	2 00	6 00	10 80	H. Williams.
"	47	"	120	2	4	4	3	2 00	6 00	10 80	A. McKay.
Dominion	48	London	66	3	4	2	3	2 00	6 00	8 64	W. Wood.
"	48	"	66	4	4	2	3	2 00	6 00	8 64	J. J. Dyas.
"	48	"	66	4	4	2	3	2 00	6 00	8 64	A. Grant, Sen'r.
Canada	49	Toronto	176	4	4	7	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	William Menzies.
"	49	"	176	4	4	7	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	A. G. Allison.
"	49	"	176	4	4	7	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	J. G. Coleman.
"	49	"	176	4	4	7	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	W. J. Annand.
Otter	50	Tilsonburg	152	2	4	6	3	2 00	6 00	12 08	John Dewar.
"	50	"	152	2	4	6	3	2 00	6 00	12 08	R. H. Armstrong.
Bissell	51	Mitchell	26	2	4	1	3	2 00	6 00	7 04	A. M. Jethern.
"	51	"	26	2	4	1	3	2 00	6 00	7 04	A. F. Catherstone.
Covenant	52	Toronto	176	4	4	7	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	H. Blain.
"	52	"	176	4	4	7	3	2 00	6 00	13 04	J. T. Hornbrook.

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Covenant	52	Toronto	176	4	4	7 04	3	6 00	13 04	6 00	A. Hunter.
"	52	"	176	4	4	7 04	3	6 00	13 04	6 00	J. Colby, jr.
"	53	Clifton	206	4	4	8 24	3	6 00	14 24	6 00	John Coulson.
Niagara Falls	53	"	206	4	4	8 24	3	6 00	14 24	6 00	John R. Peckham.
"	54	Collingwood	364	4	4	14 56	3	6 00	20 56	6 00	James Henry.
Collingwood	54	"	364	4	4	14 56	3	6 00	20 56	6 00	R. Mathews.
"	54	Seaforth	48	2	4	1 92	3	4 00	5 92	4 00	John Campbell.
Fidelity	55	"	48	2	4	1 92	3	4 00	5 92	4 00	J. F. Carter.
"	55	"	48	2	4	1 92	3	4 00	5 92	4 00	J. R. Dunn.
Queen City of Ont.	56	Toronto	176	4	4	7 04	3	6 00	13 04	6 00	John Neal.
"	56	"	176	4	4	7 04	3	6 00	13 04	6 00	Joseph Wright.
"	56	"	176	4	4	7 04	3	6 00	13 04	6 00	C. W. Wilcott.
Maple Leaf	57	Orangeville	274	1	4	10 96	3	2 00	16 96	6 00	F. G. Dunbar.
Howard	58	Strathroy	106	3	4	4 24	3	2 00	10 24	6 00	J. C. Cooper.
"	58	"	106	3	4	4 24	3	2 00	10 24	6 00	J. R. Clark.
"	58	"	106	3	4	4 24	3	2 00	10 24	6 00	H. McCall.
Kingston	59	Kingston	498	3	4	19 92	3	2 00	25 92	6 00	W. D. Gordon.
"	59	"	498	3	4	19 92	3	2 00	25 92	6 00	S. Oberndorfer.
"	59	"	498	3	4	19 92	3	2 00	25 92	6 00	N. Hango.
Wardsville	60	Wardsville	146	1	4	5 84	3	2 00	11 84	6 00	D. Gibb.
Corinthian	61	Oshawa	244	2	4	9 76	1	2 00	13 76	4 00	R. Goss.
"	61	"	244	2	4	9 76	1	2 00	13 76	4 00	Dr. Cass.
Huron	62	Goderich	400	2	4	3 60	3	2 00	9 60	6 00	P. W. Johnston.
"	62	"	400	2	4	3 60	3	2 00	9 60	6 00	Joseph Beck.

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Victoria	64	Hamilton	120	2	4	4	4	80	2	4	4	J. B. Laing.
"	64	"	120	2	4	4	80	2	2	4	8	R. McKay.
Friendship	65	Petrolia	170	2	4	6	80	3	2	6	12	J. S. Garner.
"	65	"	170	2	4	6	80	3	2	6	12	J. E. Durham.
Flor. Nightingale.	66	Bowmanville	262	2	4	10	48	2	2	4	14	T. H. Vann.
"	66	"	262	2	4	10	48	2	2	4	14	W. P. Proyer.
Exeter	67	Exeter	84	1	4	3	36	3	2	6	9	David Johns.
North Star	68	Stayner	382	1	4	15	28	3	2	6	21	John B. Perré.
Hope	69	Harrisville	98	1	4	3	92	3	2	6	9	A. Drundass.
Lucan	70	Lucan	52	1	4	2	08	3	2	6	8	J. D. McCosh.
Th. Toronto	71	Toronto	176	3	4	7	04	3	2	6	13	John Ritchie, Jr.
"	71	"	176	3	4	7	04	3	2	6	13	H. W. Murolock.
Eastern Star	72	Whitby	170	2	4	9	44	2	2	4	9	F. T. Barker.
"	72	"	236	2	4	9	44	2	2	4	9	J. A. Campbell.
Fergus	73	Fergus	114	2	4	4	56	2	2	4	8	William Rogers.
"	73	"	114	2	4	4	56	2	2	4	8	A. G. Booth.
Bothwell	74	Bothwell	150	2	4	6	00	3	2	6	12	A. F. H. Pope.
"	74	"	150	2	4	6	00	3	2	6	12	E. B. Sutherland.
Warriner	75	Port Perry	272	2	4	10	88	3	2	6	16	I. J. Davis.
"	75	"	272	2	4	10	88	3	2	6	16	J. A. Sterling.
St. Thomas	76	St. Thomas	96	2	4	3	84	3	2	6	9	L. Ferguson.
"	76	"	96	2	4	3	84	3	2	6	9	W. F. Forbes.
Oxford	77	Ingersoll	104	2	4	4	16	3	2	6	10	J. H. Little.

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Oxford	77	Ingersoll	104	4	3	4	16	3	6 00	10 16	S. C. Harrington.
St. Inouas	76	Port Hope	302	1	4	12	08	3	6 00	18 03	W. H. Kells.
Oxford	77	Uxbridge	262	2	4	10	48	2	6 00	14 48	George Wheeler.
		"	262	2	4	10	48	2	6 00	14 48	C. E. Kyle.
		Prescott	618	2	4	24	72	3	6 00	30 72	John McLaughlin.
		"	618	2	4	24	72	3	6 00	30 72	John Francis.
		Belleville	402	2	4	16	08	2	6 00	22 08	R. Tracy.
		"	402	2	4	16	08	2	6 00	22 08	W. J. Diamond.
		Clinton	66	1	4	2	64	3	6 00	8 64	H. Scott.
		Walkerton	220	1	4	8	80	3	6 00	14 80	S. Noxon.
		Constellation	122	1	4	4	88	3	6 00	10 88	T. Simons.
		Napanee	446	1	4	17	84	3	6 00	23 84	John Graham.
		Empire	184	1	4	7	36	3	6 00	13 36	W. W. Greenwood.
		"	100	2	4	4	00	3	6 00	10 00	E. McWhinnie.
		Olive Branch	109	2	4	4	00	3	6 00	10 00	J. H. Wilson.
		"	88	2	4	3	20	3	6 00	9 20	Geo. W. Jessop.
		Reliance	80	2	4	3	20	3	6 00	9 20	W. Marshall.
		"	80	2	4	3	20	3	6 00	9 20	John Dauncey.
		Ivy	80	2	4	3	20	3	6 00	9 20	William Reid.
		"	80	2	4	3	20	3	6 00	9 20	John Lawrence.
		Grand River	62	1	4	2	48	3	6 00	8 48	John Matheson.
		Milton	132	1	4	5	28	3	6 00	11 28	J. D. Matheson.
		Western City	194	2	4	7	76	3	6 00	13 76	James Cleve.
		"	194	2	4	7	76	3	6 00	13 76	John Oswald.
		Aylmer	120	1	4	4	80	3	6 00	10 80	C. H. Hankinson.

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Port Stanley.....	55	Port Stanley.....	114	1	4	4 56	3	2 00	6 00	10 56	Thomas Robinson.
Nith.....	96	New Hamburg.....	26	1	4	1 04	3	2 00	6 00	7 04	Lewis German.
Grand Union.....	97	Berlin.....	52	1	4	2 08	3	2 00	6 00	8 08	J. A. Staehler.
Minto.....	68	Harrison.....	178	1	4	7 12	3	2 00	6 00	13 12	R. Nokes.
Peabody.....	69	Watford.....	132	1	4	5 28	3	2 00	6 00	11 28	W. J. Clark.
Golden Star.....	101	Brampton.....	458	1	4	18 32	3	2 00	6 00	24 32	James Stewart.
Dosoronto.....	102	Mill Point.....	206	1	4	8 24	3	2 00	6 00	14 24	John Newson.
Cataract.....	103	Drummondville.....	120	2	4	4 80	3	2 00	6 00	10 80	T. W. Woodruff.
".....	104	Hamilton.....	130	2	4	5 20	3	2 00	6 00	11 20	W. J. Moore.
Manilla.....	105	Manilla.....	268	1	4	11 84	3	2 00	6 00	17 84	H. Griffiths.
St. Clair.....	106	Port Edward.....	166	1	4	6 64	3	2 00	6 00	12 64	John Twohey.
Waterloo.....	107	Galt.....	76	1	4	3 04	3	2 00	6 00	9 04	A. McCausland.
Royal Oak.....	108	Forest.....	116	1	4	4 64	3	2 00	6 00	10 64	J. D. Conklin.
Orion.....	109	Georgetown.....	178	1	4	7 12	3	2 00	6 00	13 12	J. O. Campbell.
Laurel.....	110	Yorkville.....	364	1	4	14 56	3	2 00	6 00	20 56	M. E. Snider.
Peterborough.....	111	Peterborough.....	90	1	4	3 60	2	2 00	4 00	7 60	E. G. Chant.
Lucknow.....	112	Lucknow.....	378	1	4	15 12	3	2 00	6 00	21 12	R. J. Chown.
Trenkon.....	113	Trenkon.....	532	1	4	21 28	3	2 00	6 00	27 28	B. J. Fagan.
Genanoque.....	114	Genanoque.....	78	1	4	3 12	3	2 00	6 00	9 12	N. T. Peckman.
Harmony.....	115	Brantford.....	78	1	4	3 12	3	2 00	6 00	9 12	Thomas Woodyatt, Assistant Grand Sec'y.
OFFICERS.											
Gore.....		34 Brantford.....	78	1	4	3 12	3	2 00	6 00	9 12	

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Gore	London	66	1	4	2 64	2	2 00	4 00	6 64	R. Mathison, Grand Reporter, (Resident at London.)
COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.										
Forest City	London	66	1	4	2 64	5	2 00	10 00	12 64	Thomas Partridge.
Gore	"	66	1	4	2 64	5	2 00	10 00	12 64	H. C. Bingham, (Resident at London.)
Avon	Stratford	1	1	2	2 00	2	2 00	4 00	4 00	Cl. T. Campbell.

The above Table is computed in accordance with the resolution of this Grand Lodge, at Four cents per Mile, and Two Dollars per Diem.

Resolved.—That the foregoing Report be adopted, and that the Grand Master do issue orders on the Grand Treasurer in accordance therewith, in favour of the Officers and Representatives.

Fraternally submitted,

- P. B. HATCH,
- JOHN F. O'NEIL,
- RICH'D NOKES,
- EDMUND BELTZ,
- W. RODGERS.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. J. R. Clarke,
Seconded by J. C. Cooper, and

Resolved.—That the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, also the Constitution of the Grand Lodge as amended, be printed in the Journal of Proceedings of this the Nineteenth Annual Communication.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Moved by Rep. J. Ross,
Seconded by Rep. R. Box, and

Resolved.—That in consideration of the valuable services of the Committee on By-laws of Subordinate Lodges, a sum of _____ dollars be voted to the said Committee as compensation for said services.

Rep. H. C. Bingham, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Committee on State of the Order.

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

The question of Rep. Henry Gibson, of Avon Lodge, having been referred to the Committee on the State of the Order, they report as follows :

Rep. H. Gibson begs leave to ask the following question :

When the report of a committee on character has been received, should not any brother have the right to make remarks either for or against the candidate before the ballot is taken ?

Your Committee, in answer to the above question, have no hesitation in replying that he certainly has that right and should be allowed the opportunity to exercise the same.

Fraternally submitted.

H. C. BINGHAM,
T. HEALEY,
H. E. BUTTERY,
HENRY McAFEE.

Rep. H. Blain gave the following notice of motion to amend the Constitution :

Moved by W. H. Cole,
Seconded by H. Blain,

That the District Deputy Grand Masters have the privilege of attending the future meetings of this Grand Lodge, and that they receive the same remuneration and enjoy the same privileges as its elective officers.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Moved by Rep. J. O. Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. Henry Gibson,

That the services of Past Grand Masters Ford and Partridge be referred to the Finance Committee to consider the matter of their expenses during the period of their incumbency.

The following was resolved in the negative :

Moved by Rep. J. O. Campbell,
Seconded by Rep. George Dennis,

Resolved.—That this Grand Lodge authorize its Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States to use their influence with that R. W. Grand Body to so amend the Constitution of State Grand Lodges that Past Grands of Subordinates who are not elected to the State Grand Lodges may not be permitted to vote on elections of officers for said State Grand Bodies.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. J. B. McIntyre,
Seconded by Rep. W. H. Cole,

Resolved.—That the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to return the thanks of the Grand Lodge to the several Railways for their courtesy of reduced fares at the present Session, and that he be instructed to correspond with the several lines of Railway and the Steam Boat Companies, with the view of reduced rates at our next Session.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. W. Greenwood,
Seconded by Rep. Theo. W. Woodruff.

That Chas. Lees, P. G. of Avon Lodge, No. 41, be paid the sum of six dollars for services as Janitor at the present Session.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. Hugh Blain,
Seconded by Rep. Jno. Ritchie, Jr.,

That the Grand Secretary be instructed to convey the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge to Avon Lodge, No. 41, for the use of their Hall, and for their kindness and courtesy during the Session.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. H. Blain,
Seconded by Rep. J. J. Dyas,

That the M. W. Grand Master be authorized to re-appoint the Committee on Laws of Subordinates to meet two days and the Committee on Credentials one day previous to the next Annual Session—if he considers it advisable.

The following was resolved in the affirmative :

Moved by Rep. J. J. Dyas,
Seconded by Rep. W. H. Cole,

That the Grand Officers be directed to take such steps as will procure the incorporation of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge then, on motion, proceeded to the installation of officers.

George Wright, P. D. G. M., Grand Master elect, having been presented by P. G. Masters H. C. Bingham, and Wm. Bissell, was duly obligated and took the chair.

R. Warriner, P. G. W., Deputy Grand Master elect, having been presented by the same brothers, was duly qualified and conducted to his seat.

H. E. Buttery, R. W. Grand Warden elect, having been introduced by the same brothers, was duly qualified and conducted to his chair.

J. B. King, P. G. Secretary, Grand Secretary elect, having been introduced by P. G. Masters Jas. Woodyatt and Henry McAfee, was duly obligated and conducted to his seat.

A. D. Clement, P. G. Treasurer, Grand Treasurer elect, having been introduced by P. G. Masters Jas. Woodyatt and Henry McAfee, was duly obligated and conducted to his seat.

The Grand Master named the following appointed officers :

Rep. J. S. McMahon	Excelsior Lodge, No 44,	Grand Marshal.
" Hugh McCall	Howard " " 58,	Conductor.
" W.D. Gordon	Kingston " " 59,	Guardian.
" W. Fitzsimmons	Brock " " 9,	Chaplain.

In pursuance of a resolution to that effect, the chair named the following Auditors for the coming year, viz :

W. Mowatt, of Avon Lodge, No. 41 ; G. W. Jessop, of Reliance Lodge, No. 89.

Rep. E. G. Chant rose on behalf of the Order in Rochester, N. Y., and extended an invitation to participate in an excursion to take place from Whitby, and other points east, to that city.

Rep. W. Mowatt, from the Special Committee on the subject, presented the following Report, which was considered and adopted :

Report of Special Committee.

STRATFORD, Aug. 8, 1863.

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

We, your Committee, having had the subject of the resolution of Rep. H. Gibson, which was submitted at the last meeting of this Grand Body, under our consideration, beg to reiterate the sentiments therein expressed, "That it is advisable that a house for the shelter of aged and disabled Odd Fellows and their widows and orphans should be provided," but your Committee have not yet procured sufficient data whereon to found a definite report, and ask this Grand Body for the privilege of reporting fully on the subject at the next regular meeting of this Grand Lodge.

We therefore submit the following :

Resolved,—That the above Report be adopted.

Fraternally submitted.

WM. N. FORD,
W. MOWATT,
HENRY GIBSON,
WM. FITZSIMMONS.

The M. W. Grand Master, with the concurrence of the Grand Lodge, appointed the following District Deputy Grand Masters :

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

NAME.	DISTRICT.	P. O. ADDRESS.
John Taylor	1	Brockville.
Fife Fowler	2	Kingston.
R. Tracy	3	Belleville.
T. H. Vann	4 and 5	Bowmanville.
R. Warriner	6	Port Perry.
John Neill	7	Toronto.
James Henry	8	Collingwood.
J. D. Matheson	9	Brampton.
Stephen Noxon	10 and 11	Walkerton.
F. F. Lawrence	12	Goderich.
G. W. Jessop	13	Guelph.
N. T. Peatman	14	Brantford.
George Midgely	15	Hamilton.
Harper Wilson	16	St. Catharines.
L. Ferguson	17	St. Thomas.
R. McWhinnie	18	Woodstock.
E. R. Robinson	19	London.
W. N. Ford, P.G.M.	20	St. Marys.
H. McAfee, P.G.M.	21	Windsor.
O. B. Hulin	22	Chatham.
J. E. Durham	23	Petrolia.
Cl. T. Campbell	24	Stratford.

The business of the session being ended, the Grand Lodge adjourned, at six o'clock, p. m., on the third day of the session.



J. W. King

Grand Secretary.

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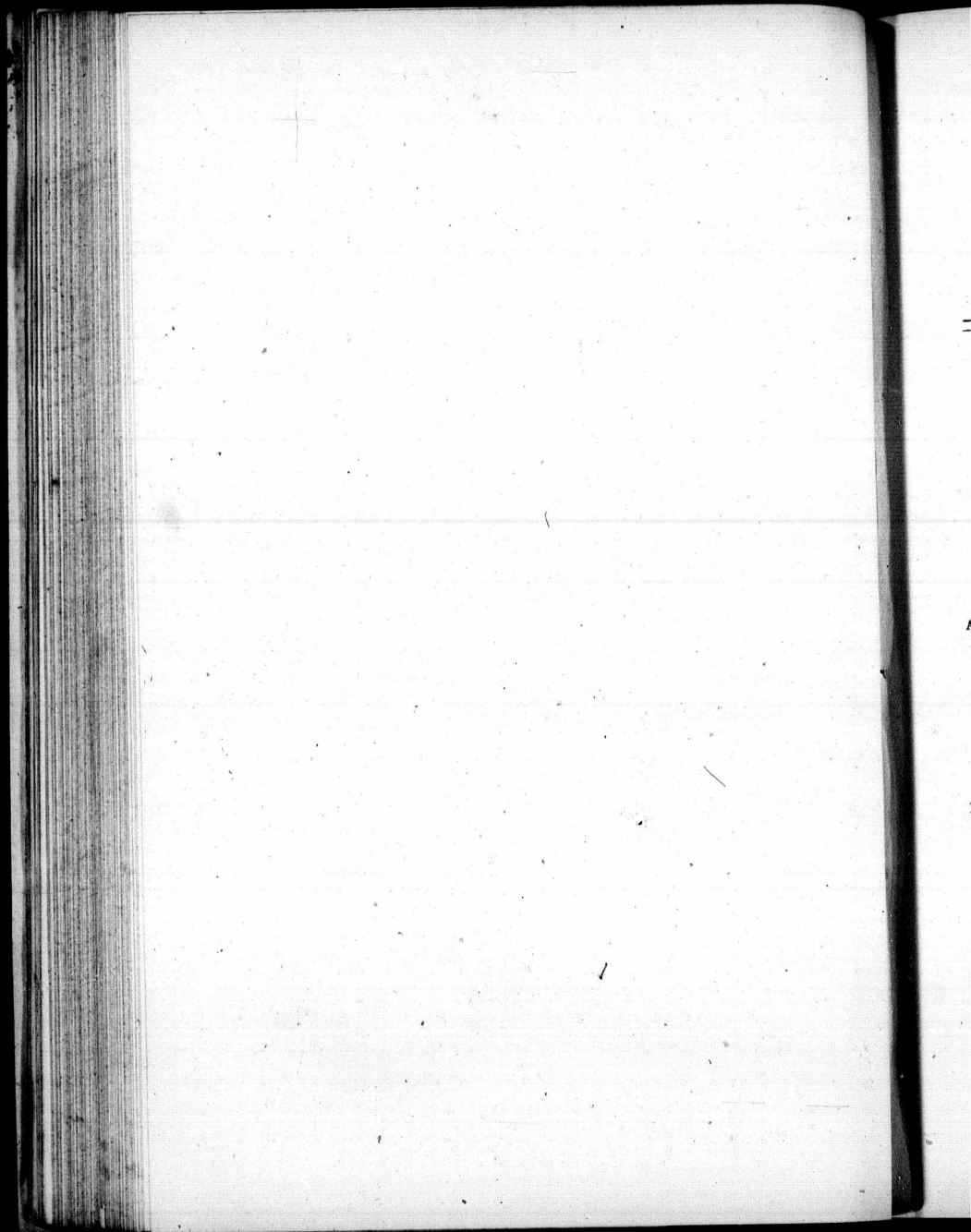
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APPENDIX.



I. O. O. F.

THE CONSTITUTION AND RULES OF ORDER

OF THE

R. W. GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,

A CONSTITUTION, ETC., FOR SUBORDINATE LODGES, AND CONSTITUTION
AND GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR THE FORMATION AND GOVERNMENT
OF DEGREE LODGES, WITH ALL AMENDMENTS UP TO AND IN-
CLUDING THOSE MADE AT STRATFORD SESSION,
1873.

I. O. O. F.

Constitution of the R. M. Grand Lodge of Ontario.

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS, it has been found expedient, and of the utmost importance to the well being of all organized Institutions, to govern the same by sound and uniform laws and regulations;

THEREFORE, THE GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS, with the view of ensuring a co-operation and uniformity of action, of providing for the best interests of the Order, and of securing more effectually the permanence of the blessings to be derived from the right exercise of those ennobling and Heaven-born principles, of *Friendship, Love, and Truth*, on which it is founded, doth ordain, declare, and establish, the following Articles as the CONSTITUTION for the Government thereof:

TITLE.

1.—This Grand Lodge shall be known and hailed by the name, style and title of "THE RIGHT WORTHY GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, OF THE INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS."

POWERS.

2.—This Grand Lodge shall have jurisdiction in Odd Fellowship, within that section of the Dominion of Canada called and known as Ontario, being the Superior Tribunal of all Subordinate Lodges within its jurisdiction.

3.—No Lodge can be formed, or continue to exist, within its jurisdiction, without the express sanction of this Grand Lodge.

4.—It possesses within its jurisdiction the right and power of granting, suspending or annulling Charters for proper cause; of receiving, hearing and determining appeals from the decisions of Subordinate Lodges, and of redressing all grievances arising therein; of regulating the means of its own support; and of performing all such other acts and things as shall have for their object the promotion of the true and best interests of the Order, or shall appertain to it by ancient usage or custom, and are not in violation of the laws of the land, or the regulations of the Order.

MEMBERSHIP.

5.—This Grand Lodge shall be composed of all duly qualified Past Grands within its jurisdiction, who shall be entitled to all the privileges pertaining to their rank, as prescribed by the Usages and Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States; but for Legislative purposes it shall be purely a representative body.

6.—Any Past Grand, on presenting a Certificate of his official services, and after satisfactory examination in the Degrees pertaining thereto, shall be entitled to receive the Grand Lodge Degree.

7.—No Past Grand shall be admitted as a Representative in this Grand Lodge unless duly certified as having been elected thereto; nor until he has been instructed in the Grand Lodge Degree, and has signed a promise faithfully to support, maintain and abide by the Constitution and By-laws of this Grand Lodge.

8.—Every Past Grand Master, in good standing in a Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction, and all elective officers in this Grand Lodge, shall have the right of debating and making motions.

ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES.

9.—Every Lodge within the jurisdiction shall, at its first meeting in the month of July, annually, elect by ballot from amongst its Past Grands in good standing, a Representative or Representatives as follows, that is to say: One Representative where the number of members in good standing returned in the next preceding semi-annual report, shall be 100 or less, over 100 and under 200, two Representatives; over 200, three Representatives.

10.—Any Lodge not having a properly qualified P. G., may choose one so qualified from any other Lodge within the jurisdiction, to represent it in this Grand Lodge for the like period.

11.—In all ballotings, only one name shall be written upon any ballot.

12.—The resignation by any member of his office as Representative, must be addressed in writing to the N. G. of his Lodge, which shall proceed at its first opportunity to consider the same, and either accept or refuse the resignation, as may seem expedient; and if such resignation be accepted, the Lodge may at once proceed to elect another qualified member to fill the vacancy.

TRIAL OF MEMBERS.

13.—Whenever charges affecting the character or standing of any member shall be submitted to the Grand Lodge in writing, by one or more members thereof, the same shall be immediately referred to a Committee of five members, to be elected by ballot, who shall, with as little delay as possible, examine carefully into the charges, and report the result of such examination to this Grand Lodge.

14.—Should the Committee report such charges unfounded, or as not having been proved, such report shall be accepted as final, and the charge dismissed.

15.—Should the Committee report the charges as proved, in whole or in part, the Grand Lodge, after having heard the member thus charged, in his defence, shall proceed to determine the case, by the acquittal, reprimand, suspension from his seat in the Grand Lodge, or expulsion therefrom of the implicated member, as the Grand Lodge may deem fit and proper.

16.—In case the Committee shall find the charges proven, in whole or in part, against an Elective Officer (the Grand Lodge not being in session), they shall communicate the fact to the other Elective Officers; should such officers deem it advisable, they shall convene a Special Meeting of this Grand Lodge for the purpose of proceeding as provided in Clause 15.

17.—Whenever any member shall be suspended or expelled, intimation of the same shall be forthwith given to the N. G. of his Lodge, and the Grand Lodge may require that he be tried by the Subordinate Lodge to which he belongs.

OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

18.—The Elective Officers of this Grand Lodge shall be:

The Most Worthy Grand Master.
“ Right Worthy Deputy Grand Master.
“ “ “ Grand Warden.
“ “ “ Grand Secretary.
“ “ “ Grand Treasurer.
“ “ “ Grand Representatives.

To be elected by ballot.

19.—These Elective Officers shall be elected by ballot, after previous nomination, such nomination and election to take place at the annual Session of the Grand Lodge, and on the second day of the Session, at 4 o'clock, p. m.

20.—At each Election the Presiding Officer shall appoint two of the members present, as Tellers, who shall *preside* at the ballot box, and allow each member as his *Lodge* is called by the Grand Secretary, to deposit his ballot, and, when the balloting is completed, shall examine the same and report the result.

21.—Each Elective Officer, the Grand Representatives excepted, shall be chosen separately, by a majority of the votes given. Should there be no choice of such officer at any ballot, a new ballot shall forthwith take place among the members present; and after each ballot the name of the Candidate who shall have received the smallest number of votes shall be withdrawn.

22.—The Elective Grand Officers, except the Grand Representatives, shall be installed, according to the Grand Lodge order of business, unless otherwise ordered by the Grand Lodge, and shall serve until the next Annual Session, and until the installation of their successors.

23.—The sitting Grand Master or any P. G. Master, or the highest Officer present, shall instal the Grand Master elect, who shall thereafter instal the other Officers.

24.—Should any Officer elect fail to present himself for installation at the time duly appointed for that ceremony, his office shall be declared vacant, unless sufficient cause be shown for such non-attendance, and the members present shall forthwith proceed to fill the same by a new election, the successful Candidate at which shall be immediately installed. Should sufficient cause be shown, as aforesaid, the installation of the Officer elect, so absent, may take place at such time, and in such manner as the Grand Lodge may then specially direct.

25.—The Grand Representative or Representatives to represent this Grand Lodge in the Grand Lodge of the United States, to be elected in accordance with the Constitution and Laws of the said Grand Lodge of the United States.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

26.—The appointed Officers of the Grand Lodge shall be :

The Worthy Grand Marshall.			
“ “ “	Conductor.		
“ “ “	Guardian.		
“ “ “	Chaplain.		

To be appointed by the Grand Master immediately after his installation, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge.

27.—The Grand Master shall, as soon after his installation as may be, nominate, subject to the approval of the Grand Lodge, a Right Worthy Grand District Deputy, for each District under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and within which one or more Subordinate Lodges may be in operation.

28.—Should a vacancy occur in the office of Grand Representative, R. W. Grand Warden, R. W. Grand Secretary, or R. W. Grand Treasurer, by death, resignation or otherwise, during the recess of this Grand Lodge, such vacancy shall be filled by a person to be chosen by a majority of the remaining Elective Officers, provided always that the person so chosen shall serve only until the next Annual Session of this Grand Lodge, when in the event of term of the vacant office being still unexpired, the Representatives present shall elect by ballot a person to serve for the remainder of such unexpired term.

DUTIES AND POWERS.

29.—The M. W. Grand Master shall preside at all meetings of the Grand Lodge, when present; he shall preserve order and decorum therein, and decide all questions of order, subject, however, to an appeal to the Grand Lodge; he shall have the casting vote upon all occasions when the Grand Lodge is equally divided, except in the election of officers; he shall appoint *pro tem.*, in the absence of the regular incumbents, all officers whose appointment is not otherwise provided for by the Grand Lodge; sign all requisite orders on the Grand Treasurer, and all regular documents requiring his signature, and transmit, or cause to be transmitted, regularly, previous to the commencement of each term, to each Subordinate Lodge, within this jurisdiction, the Pass-Word received from the Grand Lodge of the United States; he shall, *ex-officio*, be a member of all Committees of this Grand Lodge, whose meetings he may choose to attend; he shall have power in the absence of the Deputy Grand Master, and Grand District Deputy, to appoint

a qualified P. G., to open newly chartered Lodges, instal their officers, and present their Charters; and he shall, in person, or by Deputy, visit and inspect the books, proceedings, and work of each Subordinate Lodge within this jurisdiction, once in each year, or oftener if he may deem it necessary in the furtherance of their interests; the necessary expenses incurred in making such visit to be defrayed by the Grand Lodge.

30.—The R. W. Deputy Grand Master shall act as the Assistant of the Grand Master, and during the absence of that officer shall be invested with all his powers. In event of the death, resignation, or removal from office of the Grand Master, he shall, *ex-officio*, become Grand Master, until the next regular Session thereafter, and shall receive the Honors of the office.

31.—The R. W. Grand Warden shall preside in the absence of the Deputy Grand Master; he shall assist the Grand Master in the ceremonies of the Order, and in the preservation of decorum in the Grand Lodge; he shall confer the Grand Lodge Degree on all Past Grands qualified to receive it; and shall, subject to the Grand Master, have charge of the Lodge Room during all meetings of the Grand Lodge. And in the the event of a vacancy in the office of R. W. D. Grand Master, he shall, *ex-officio*, become Deputy Grand Master until the first regular Session thereafter.

32.—The Duty of the R. W. Grand Secretary shall be to attend, in person, every meeting of the Grand Lodge, and when absent shall transmit the books and records thereof; he shall keep a just and true record of all proceedings, and intimate to each Subordinate Lodge such portion thereof as may affect it; he shall also keep a just and true account between each Subordinate Lodge and the Grand Lodge, and also of the affairs of this Grand Lodge; he shall preserve all books and fyle all documents belonging to his office; attest all orders drawn on the Grand Treasurer, pay over to him forthwith all moneys coming into his hands on account of this Grand Lodge; receive all documents relative to the Grand Lodge, and submit the same to the Grand Master, at the Grand Lodge, if in Session; conduct all correspondence on behalf of the Grand Lodge; furnish all Committees with such official documents as may be necessary for their reference; transmit to the Grand Lodge of the United States a regular report of the Order, made up to the 30th day of June in each year; notify all Subordinate Lodges of each regular Session of this Grand Lodge, at least two weeks previous to its commencement; prepare all Charters granted by the Grand Lodge; affix the Grand Seal to such Charters, and to all other documents requiring it; perform all the duties of the Grand Treasurer in his absence; and attend to all other business not herein enumerated, and coming properly within his duty. He shall have his books properly closed by the first day of August in each year, and shall have a sufficient number of his Financial Statement and Statistical Table printed for the use of each Officer and Representative of the Grand Lodge; and shall receive such salary as may be fixed upon at each Annual Session.

33.—The R. W. Grand Treasurer shall receive and take charge of the moneys of this Lodge, depositing the same in some Chartered Banking Institution of this Province, to be named by the Grand Lodge, within three days at furthest, after receipt thereof, unless otherwise directed by this Grand Lodge; he shall pay all orders drawn on him by the Grand Master, and countersigned by the Grand Secretary, and none other; he shall keep his accounts in a fair, clear, and legible manner, exhibiting, in as far as

possible, the sources of all receipts, and the destination of all disbursements, with the amount of both; he shall have his accounts closed immediately before every regular Session, and submit them thereat to this Grand Lodge, and shall execute, in favor of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, and Grand Warden, in trust, a satisfactory Bond for the due and faithful performance of his duties.

34.—The R. W. Grand Representatives shall attend the meetings of the Grand Lodge of the United States, and act thereat on behalf of the various Lodges within this jurisdiction; they shall be furnished with certificates of election in the form required by the Grand Lodge of the United States. They shall also attend the meetings of this Grand Lodge, and submit a synopsis of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of the United States at the Sessions thereof, attended by them.

35.—The R. W. Grand Chaplain shall, when present, open and close every meeting of this Grand Lodge with prayer.

36.—The R. W. Grand Marshal shall examine Past Grand Masters applying for the Grand Lodge Degree, and shall otherwise assist the Grand Master in the ceremonies of the Grand Lodge, according to his office.

37.—The R. W. Grand Conductor shall assist the Grand Marshal in the ceremonies of the Grand Lodge; he shall securely guard the outer door of the Lodge Room; he shall permit no one to enter without examination and receiving from him the semi-annual P. W.; he shall receive the Cards of Traveling Brothers desiring to visit this Grand Lodge and deliver the same to the Grand Guardian to be laid before the Grand Lodge.

38.—The R. W. Grand Guardian shall have the charge of the inner entrance of the Grand Lodge Room, and permit none to enter or depart without the usual formalities.

39.—Each R. W. Grand District Deputy shall act as the organ of the Grand Master, with the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges situated within the District over which he may be appointed; it shall be his duty to see that the work of the Order is performed therein uniformly and correctly, and to instal the Officers of such Lodge or Lodges, or cause the same to be done by a competent Officer; he shall be entrusted with the charge of, and shall countersign and issue all Dispensations granted to any Lodge in his District; he shall report to the Grand Master, at least two weeks previous to each regular Session, such Dispensations as may have passed through his hands, together with all other matters coming within his sphere of duty; and he shall remit to the Grand Secretary all Dues, Dispensations, Charges, and other Funds, which may have been received by him on account of this Grand Lodge, as soon after receipt of the same as may be.

COMMITTEES.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

40.—The Elective Grand Officers shall constitute an Advisory Board, who shall meet on the summons of the Grand Master, the duty of which shall be to render assistance and advice to the Grand Master, on such matters as he shall deem it necessary in the discharge of his official duties, to introduce and submit to its notice and consideration, during the recess of the Grand Lodge.

41.—The following Standing Committees shall be appointed by the Grand Master at the opening of each Annual Session, to serve until their successors shall be appointed, unless sooner discharged by vote of the Grand Lodge:

Committee on Credentials ;

- “ “ Returns ;
- “ “ Finance ;
- “ “ Laws of Subordinates ;
- “ “ Appeals ;
- “ “ Printing ;
- “ “ Legislation ;
- “ “ State of the Order ;
- “ “ Mileage and Per Diem ;
- “ “ Petitions and Correspondence.

42.—The Committee on Credentials shall be composed of three members, of whom the Grand Secretary shall be one, who shall report to this Grand Lodge, without delay, on the qualification of Brothers claiming admission as Representatives, and on the validity of their credentials.

43.—The Committee on Returns shall consist of three members, and shall examine and report to this Grand Lodge, without delay, on the regularity of the Returns of Subordinate Lodges.

44.—The Committee on Finance shall consist of three members, whose duty it shall be to examine all accounts and claims against this Grand Lodge, previous to their being ordered for payment ; to examine, at each regular Session, all financial books and accounts of this Grand Lodge, and report thereon ; and to suggest such measures of finance as they may find to be expedient and necessary.

45.—The Committee on Appeals shall be composed of five members, of whom three shall form a quorum, to whom shall be referred all Appeals and Grievances from Subordinate Lodges, or from members thereof, (unless in the case of charges against members of this Grand Lodge), on which they shall report without delay, recommending such action in the case as they may consider necessary ; provided always that no member of this Committee shall act as such, on any Appeal to which he himself may be a party.

46.—The Committee on Laws of Subordinate Lodges shall consist of five members, to whom shall be referred all By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges, sent in for approval, on which they shall report at the earliest opportunity, pointing out all regulations therein (if any), which may violate or conflict with the Laws and Usages of the Order, and generally, as to all such matters relative thereto, as they may deem expedient.

47.—The Committee on Printing shall consist of three members, of whom the Grand Secretary shall be one, to whom shall be referred all matters relative to the printing required by this Grand Lodge, and the necessary correction and condensing of material for the Journal of Proceedings of this Grand Lodge, previous to publication.

48.—The Committee on Legislation shall consist of three members, to whom shall be referred all questions pertaining to the making or amending of Laws.

49.—The Committee on the State of the Order shall consist of three members, to whom shall be referred the decisions of the M. W. Grand Master during the recess, all questions relating to the interpretation of the Laws and usages of the Order in this Province, and all matters concerning the condition and prospects of the Order.

50.—The Committee on Mileage and Per Diem shall consist of three members, whose duty it shall be to arrange a table of the mileage and per diem of the Officers and Representatives of this Grand Lodge in accordance with such resolutions as may be adopted from time to time, fixing the rate of such Mileage and Per Diem.

51.—The Committee on Petitions and Correspondence shall consist of three members, to whom shall be referred all Petitions and Correspondence.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

52.—All Special Committees shall be named by the Grand Master, unless provided for by special vote, and shall report at the next meeting following their appointment, unless otherwise ordered by this Grand Lodge.

53.—The Reports of all Committees must be made in writing.

SESSIONS.

54.—The Grand Lodge shall meet annually on the first Wednesday in August in each year, at such place as may be appointed at the preceding Session thereof.

55.—The Grand Master shall have the power to convene special meetings of the Grand Lodge, whenever and wherever, in his judgment, it would be for the true interests and benefit of the Grand Lodge and Odd Fellowship generally within its jurisdiction, and the importance of the subject matters for consideration is such as to justify the expense necessarily involved in such meetings; provided always, that three weeks notice shall be given to each Subordinate Lodge of the time and object of such meeting.

56.—At the Annual Session, the Returns and Reports of the several Subordinate Lodges, as required by the Constitution, shall be presented; the newly elected Representatives shall be admitted to their seats; the Grand Officers shall be elected and installed; and all manner of business, within the powers and jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge, shall be transacted in due form.

57.—At any Special Meeting of the Grand Lodge, no business shall be transacted other than that for which the meeting was called.

58.—At all Regular and Special Meetings, the Grand Lodge may adjourn from time to time as may be found expedient.

59.—To constitute a Regular Special Meeting of this Grand Lodge, there must be a majority of the Representatives of all the Lodges within the jurisdiction present.

WORKING.

60.—All the business of this Grand Lodge during its Sessions shall be transacted in the Grand Lodge Degree.

61.—All the Representatives present shall vote upon, and a majority thereof shall decide, all questions before the Grand Lodge, unless otherwise provided by law, and the Yeas and Nays, if called for and seconded, shall be regularly recorded on the minutes.

62.—No Representative shall be entitled to a vote in this Grand Lodge while any semi-annual Report, percentage, or account is due this Grand Lodge by the Lodge he represents.

RETURNS.

63.—This Grand Lodge shall transmit to the Grand Lodge of the United States, at least twenty days prior to the Annual Meeting of the latter, a Return up to the 30th June then last past, containing full information as to the work of the Lodges under its jurisdiction, for the then preceding year, their present state, prospects, and all such other particulars as may be required by the Form of Annual Return which the Grand Lodge of the United States may from time to time prescribe.

64.—Such Returns shall be accompanied by the amount of dues accruing to the Grand Lodge of the United States.

REGALIA, JEWELS, ETC.

REGALIA.

65.—Past Grands shall wear scarlet collars or sashes, trimmed with white. The collars or sashes may be trimmed with silver lace or fringe; those having attained the Royal Purple Degree may have trimmings of yellow metal.

66.—The Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers of Grand Lodges, shall wear the regalia of Past Grands as above defined. The regalia for a Past Grand, who is also a Past Chief Patriarch, may, in lieu of any other regalia to which he may be entitled, be a scarlet collar, trimmed with white, the collar not to be more than five and a-half inches wide, with a roll of purple two inches wide, trimmed with yellow, the collar to be united in front with three links. The above described regalia may be worn by a brother, who has passed the chairs in a Lodge or in an Encampment, in any Grand or Subordinate Lodge, or any Grand or Subordinate Encampment. The collar may be of scarlet velvet, with white metal trimmings, and the roll of purple velvet with yellow metal trimmings.

JEWELS.

67.—The Jewel for a Past Grand Master is a sun, with a hand and heart; for a Grand Master, a sun, with the scales of justice impressed thereon; for

a Deputy Grand Master, a half-moon ; for a Grand Warden, crossed gavels ; for a Grand Conductor, a Roman sword ; for a Grand Guardian, crossed swords ; for a Grand Marshal, a baton ; all of white metal.

68.—The jewel of a Grand Representative or Past Grand Representative, is a medal three inches in diameter, having on one side the coat of arms of his State, surrounded by an ornamental edging of silver. (*For Regalia of Subordinates, see Constitution of Subordinates.*)

SUBORDINATE LODGES.

INSTITUTION.

69.—Brothers desirous of establishing a new Lodge under this jurisdiction shall transmit to this Grand Lodge a written application to that effect, accompanied by their Cards of Clearance, or the Certificate of the Grand District Deputy of the District, that the same are in his possession, and by Certificates of their having attained the Scarlet Degree.

70.—Such application must be signed in every instance by at least five brothers of the Scarlet Degree, and be accompanied by the sum of thirty dollars, being the Charter Fee. Should one Lodge, or more, be already established in the proposed location, the signatures of at least ten brothers, qualified as above, shall be requisite.

71.—On receipt of a formal application for a Charter, as above required, the Grand Master may issue a warrant for the immediate institution of the Lodge petitioned for.

72.—Every application for the establishment of a Lodge shall, as soon as possible, be submitted to the Grand Master, who shall report the same at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

73.—The necessary Charges and Lectures shall be furnished by this Grand Lodge to every new Lodge on its institution, to be paid for at such rates as may be charged by the Grand Lodge of the United States. The traveling expenses of the Instituting Officer shall also be payable by the Lodge instituted.

74.—The first noble Grand of a new Lodge shall be entitled to the Past Vice-Grand and Past Secretary's Degree, and the first V. G. shall be entitled to the Past Secretary's Degree, in addition to the Degrees acquired by actual service.

GOVERNMENT.

75.—This Grand Lodge shall stand invested with full power, and it shall be its duty to issue, for the government of its Subordinate Lodges, a Form of Constitution and Rules of Order. Provided always, however, that copies of the form of Constitution so to be issued, and of all resolutions enacting, amending, or repealing the same or any part or Clauses thereof, shall be immediately forwarded, in duplicate, to the Grand Lodge of the United States, authenticated by the Seal of this Grand Lodge, and the signature of the

Grand Master and Grand Secretary; one of such duplicate copies to be returned to this Grand Lodge, certified as approved or otherwise, as the case may be.

76.—Every Subordinate Lodge under this jurisdiction, must adhere strictly to its Constitution and Rules of Order, as issued by the Grand Lodge; and also to the By-Laws framed by the Lodge in accordance therewith, and confirmed by this Grand Lodge, and shall, in all cases, yield implicit obedience to the further regulations that may from time to time be promulgated by this Grand Lodge.

77.—No Public Celebration of any kind, shall be held by Lodges under this jurisdiction, nor any controversy entered into relating to the Order through the public prints, without the express permission of the Grand Master, or in his absence, by the Deputy Grand Master.

78.—No person shall be admitted to Honorary Membership in any Subordinate Lodge, nor hold membership in more than one Subordinate Lodge at the same time.

79.—No communication from a Subordinate Lodge shall be recognized as official, unless attested by its Secretary, and having its Seal affixed, of which seal an impression in lead shall be furnished to this Grand Lodge, as soon as may be.

80.—This Grand Lodge shall divide the Province of Ontario under its jurisdiction, into Districts, making such arrangements thereof from time to time, as circumstances may suggest and require, and as shall seem most fit and expedient.

81.—The Grand Lodge, or in its recess, the Grand Master thereof, shall have power to issue Dispensations, countersigned by the Grand Secretary, to any Lodge under its jurisdiction, to exempt it, in any particular case, from the operation of any of the various regulations, other than financial, by which it is governed, or to enable it to proceed in any matter with other than the usual and prescribed formalities, whenever the Grand Lodge or Grand Master may deem it for the interest and welfare of the Order so to do.

FORFEITURE OF CHARTER.

82.—Any Subordinate Lodge failing to make the Returns and pay the Dues required by its Constitution, for twelve months, shall become liable to the forfeiture of its Charter, which may thereupon be recalled by the Grand Master, or by vote of the Grand Lodge at any regular session.

83.—In the event of any Lodge failing to meet for three consecutive months, it shall thereby become extinct; and it shall be the duty of the officers last installed to transmit to this Grand Lodge the Charter, Books, Funds, and other property of said Lodge.

84.—Members of extinct Lodges, who were clear of the Books of such Lodge, at the time of its dissolution, or who shall have paid to this Grand Lodge all arrears then due, may, upon application to the Grand Secretary, receive a Card of Clearance under the Seal of this Grand Lodge, which shall have all the force of a Card of Clearance regularly granted. Provided always

that the Grand Master and Grand Secretary shall be satisfied that the applicant was not implicated in the breaking up of the Lodge, or in the illegal distribution or use of the funds of the same.

FUNDS.

RECEIPTS.

85.—This Grand Lodge shall be entitled to receive from each Subordinate the sum of fifty cents a year, payable half yearly, for each unsuspended member on its books, as shown by its Semi-Annual Return.

86.—In case of failure or deficiency in the funds of this Grand Lodge, the sum may be supplied by an assessment upon the Lodges under its jurisdiction, apportioned according to the number of members in good standing in each Lodge, according to its last semi-annual Report.

EXPENDITURE.

87.—All claims against this Grand Lodge shall be first placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary, and be by him submitted to the Finance Committee, who shall examine and report on the correctness of the same.

88.—Claims reported correct shall be submitted to this Grand Lodge, at a regular session, and if then approved, the Grand Master shall issue his warrant for the payment of the same, on the Grand Treasurer, which shall be attested by the Grand Secretary, and shall be duly entered in the books of the Grand Lodge, by the Grand Treasurer.

89.—In cases of urgency, during the recess of this Grand Lodge, the Grand Master may, in his discretion, issue such warrant, making report thereof to the Grand Lodge at its next regular Session.

BY-LAWS, ETC.

BY-LAWS.

90.—This Grand Lodge shall stand fully invested with the power to adopt from time to time, such By-Laws and Resolutions as it may deem expedient; provided they do not, in any wise, contravene any part of this Constitution, or of the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States, or the general laws, principles, or customs of the Order.

91.—Copies of such By-Laws shall be immediately forwarded in duplicate, to the Grand Lodge of the United States, authenticated by the Seal of this Grand Lodge, and the signatures of its Grand Master and Grand Secretary, one of such duplicate copies to be retained by the Grand Lodge of the United States, and the other to be returned to this Grand Lodge certified as approved, or otherwise, as the case may be.

92. All By-Laws and Resolutions of this Grand Lodge shall be provisionally in force from the time of their enactment; but any portion thereof not conforming to Clause 90, may be annulled by the Grand Lodge of the United States, and such annulment may also have retro-active effect.

AMENDMENTS.

93.—This Constitution or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, unless by action of this Grand Lodge, at its Annual Communication, and upon notice being given by the Grand Secretary, three months previous thereto, to each of the Subordinate Lodges, of the proposed alteration; except in a case where a Committee has been regularly appointed to report alterations of any kind, in which case it shall be lawful to take immediate action upon the changes proposed by said Committee.

94.—The funds and properties of Subordinate Lodges are by the provisions of their Charters and the Laws of the Order, held only in trust for charitable purposes, and must be applied solely to these purposes, and the donating or in any manner dividing them among the members individually is a violation of the trust and the law, the penalty of which is expulsion. And if a Subordinate Lodge shall fail from any cause to work, all moneys and properties, together with the Charter, shall be surrendered to the Grand Lodge to be held in trust and applied as hereinafter provided.

95.—Upon the suspension or expulsion of a Lodge, or surrender, or forfeiture of its Charter, it shall be the duty of its last installed Officers and Members having the custody of the Charter, books, papers, properties and funds of the Lodge to assign, transfer, and deliver the same on demand to the Grand Master, or the D. D. Grand Master of the District, or to such Past Grand as may be specially deputed by the Grand Master or Grand Lodge to receive the same, and the same shall be held subject to the order of the Grand Lodge. Any Officer or Member having such properties in custody, refusing such demand, shall be forever excluded from membership or fellowship in the Order, notwithstanding such Lodge should afterwards be restored to good standing.

96.—All effects or funds received by the Grand Lodge from any Subordinate or Degree Lodge under Clauses 94 and 95, shall be kept separate and apart from the property and funds of the Grand Lodge, and such funds shall not be estimated as part of the funds of the Grand Lodge, but shall be held in trust; first for the benefit of any Brother and Widow or Orphans entitled to benefits in accordance with the By-Laws of such Lodge at the time of the dissolution or suspension of the same, and the balance, if any, to be restored should such Subordinate Lodge ever be reinstated, or upon the expiration of the period of its suspension; provided, however, that in the event said Lodge should not be restored to fellowship within three years, the funds and properties of said Lodge shall be disposed of or used under the direction of the Grand Lodge in aiding or assisting any working Lodge or proposed Lodge needing assistance, or to such other charitable purpose as in the judgment of the Grand Lodge may be deemed advisable.

97.—Upon the application of five or more members of an extinct Lodge, to the Grand Lodge for the restoration of such Lodge to fellowship, such applicants as the Grand Lodge may approve, may be restored to fellowship

in said Lodge, together with the Charter and effects belonging to such Lodge at the time of its extinction, unless such effects shall have been disposed of as provided in Clause 96 of this Constitution.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

- 1st.—The members will clothe themselves in their appropriate Regalia.
- 2nd.—The Guardian will close the door.
- 3rd.—The Officers will take their respective Chairs.
- 4th.—The Grand Master will make *pro tem* appointments if needed.
- 5th.—The Grand Marshal and Grand Conductor will examine all present in the G. L. and Semi-Annual Pass-Word.
- 6th.—The Grand Chaplain will offer prayer.
- 7th.—The Grand Lodge will rise according to usage, and the Grand Marshal will declare the Grand Lodge open for business.
- 8th.—The Grand Secretary will read the Credentials of Representatives and new members.
- 9th.—The Grand Master shall appoint the Committee on Credentials, which shall report with as little delay as possible.
- 10th.—The Reception and adoption of the Report of the Credential Committee.
- 11th.—The Reception of new Members and Representatives, and the calling of the Roll of Officers and Representatives.
- 12th.—The Reading and adoption of the Minutes of the last Annual Session, and of all Special Meetings of the year past.
- 13th.—The Reading and Reference to Appropriate Committees of the Reports of the Grand Officers.
- 14th.—The Appointment of all Regular Committees.
- 15th.—The Reception of Petitions, Communications and Appeals, and the reference of the same to Committees.
- 16th.—The Roll of Lodges shall be called for the presentation of Questions and Business, and proper reference of the same.
- 17th.—The Nomination and Election of Officers.
- 18th.—Unfinished business in order of its priority.
- 19th.—The Reports of Committees shall be read and considered.
- 20th.—The Installation of Officers.
- 21st.—The presentation and disposal of miscellaneous business.
- 22nd.—The closing of the Grand Lodge.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE 1st.—After each adjournment, the Grand Lodge shall be opened in the manner prescribed in the Order of Business, and the Minutes of the preceding sitting shall be read and approved.

RULE 2nd.—During the continuance of the Session the most decorous order shall be observed, no one leaving the room without the permission of the Grand Master, nor entering without the consent of the Grand Warden.

The order of procedure, after opening, shall be as follows:—

- 1.—The calling of the Roll of Officers and Members.
- 2.—The consideration of any excuses which may be offered by Absentees from previous meetings.
- 3.—The receiving and consideration of any Report from the Committee on Credentials, on claims for admission as Representatives.
- 4.—The admission and instruction (when requisite) of new Members.
- 5.—The reading by the Grand Secretary of the Minutes of last meeting, the consideration of any objections which may be made to any part thereof, and their approval, with or without amendment, as the case may require.
- 6.—The receiving and consideration of any Report from the Committee on Returns, relative to the Returns from Subordinate Lodges, and the reading of such Returns as may be reported correct.
- 7.—The reading and referring of Accounts presented.
- 8.—The reading, consideration and disposal of Petitions from Subordinate Lodges, or from Members thereof.
- 9.—The reading and referring of Appeals from Subordinate Lodges, or from Members thereof.
- 10.—The reading, consideration and disposal of other Communications.
- 11.—The receiving of any Reports from the other Standing Committees of this Grand Lodge, in the following order:—Committee on Finance; Committee on Grievances; Committee on Laws of Subordinates.
- 12.—The receiving of any Reports from Special Committees, in the order of their seniority.
- 13.—Unfinished Business, in order of priority at previous meetings.
- 14.—New Business.
- 15.—Closing, or Adjournment, (as the case may be), of the Grand Lodge.

RULE 3rd.—All motions shall be submitted in writing.

RULE 4th.—No question, unless regularly moved and seconded, shall be put to the Grand Lodge by the Presiding Officer.

RULE 5th.—No question shall be open for consideration until regularly put from the Chair; and when so put, no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion—

- 1.—To adjourn;
- 2.—To lay on the table;
- 3.—To put the previous question;
- 4.—To postpone;
- 5.—To refer; or
- 6.—To amend.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order above stated, and the first, second and third thereof, shall be decided without debate.

RULE 6th.—The Previous Question shall be put from the Chair, only after it shall have been ascertained that the call therefor is sustained by a majority of the members of the Grand Lodge present, and shall then always be put in the words following: "*Shall the question be now put?*" which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending, immediately before such call for the previous question may have been made.

RULE 7th.—If the vote of the Grand Lodge, taken pursuant to such call for the Previous Question, be in the affirmative, the Presiding Officer shall thereupon put forthwith to vote the question so pending, immediately before such call, and shall not allow any amendment or further debate thereon.

RULE 8th.—Before taking the vote on any motion, the Presiding Officer shall ask "*Is the Grand Lodge ready for the question?*" and, should no member stand up to speak, the Presiding Officer shall rise to take the vote, after which no member shall have a right to speak on the question.

RULE 9th.—After any question, except that of indefinite postponement or the previous question, may have been decided, any two members, having voted in the majority, may, at the same or next meeting of the then Session, move for a re-consideration, but no discussion of the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.

RULE 10th.—Any member may require the division of a question, when the sense will admit of it.

RULE 11th.—When a blank is to be filled, the question shall first be taken on the highest sum or number, or on the longest or latest time, proposed.

RULE 12th.—The Ayes and Nays shall be taken and recorded, on the call of any three members.

RULE 13th.—Every member present may be required to vote on any question, unless excused by the Grand Lodge, personally interested in the result, or otherwise incapacitated.

RULE 14th.—Any member, intending to speak on a question, shall rise in his place, and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confining himself to the question under debate, avoiding all personality and indecorous language, as well as any reflection on the Grand Lodge or its members.

RULE 15th.—No member shall speak more than once on the same question, until every member desirous of speaking shall have had an opportunity of doing so—nor more than twice, unless by permission of the Presiding Officer.

RULE 16th.—Should more than one member rise to speak at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall determine which is entitled to the floor; and no member shall interrupt the business of the Grand Lodge, or in any manner disturb another in his speech, unless to call him to order for words spoken, or rules infringed.

RULE 17th.—Any member called to order while speaking, shall resume his seat, and the debate shall forthwith be suspended until the point of order thus raised be determined; nor shall any member speak upon such point of order unless it be to make necessary explanations, or appeal from the decision of the Chair.

RULE 18th.—The decision of the Presiding Officer on questions of order shall be without debate, unless, entertaining doubts on the point, he should invite it; and on such questions alone shall he have the privilege of speaking from the Chair.

RULE 19th.—In all cases where a member may appeal from the decision of the Chair, he shall use the words following and none other, unless it be for necessary explanation: "*Most Worthy Grand Master, I respectfully appeal from the decision of the Chair to the Grand Lodge.*"—and the Grand Lodge shall, after such explanation as the Presiding Officer may deem necessary, proceed forthwith to consider and vote upon the question:—"*Shall the decision of the Chair stand as the judgment of the Grand Lodge?*"

RULE 20th.—Any member who may have been ruled out of order for manifestation of temper, or improper feeling, must apologise to the Grand Lodge, or to any aggrieved party, if required so to do by the Presiding Officer; and shall not speak again on the pending question, except to explain and apologise, unless specially permitted so to do by the Presiding Officer.

RULE 21st.—Visiting Past Grands, not members of this Grand Lodge, may address the Grand Lodge, on receiving permission to that effect from the Presiding Officer.

RULE 22nd.—A motion to alter or suspend the Order of Business for the remainder of a meeting may at any time be carried by a two-third vote, but no motion to suspend or alter any such order of business for a longer term shall at any time be put to vote.

RULE 23rd.—These Rules of Order, or any part thereof, shall only be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, (except in the case provided for by Rule 22nd), by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, in the same mode as required in Clauses 90, 91 92 and 93, of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge.

Constitution and Rules of Order for Subordinate Lodges.

CONSTITUTION.

PREAMBLE.

For the purpose of ensuring, as much as possible, uniformity in the administration of the privileges, honors and benefits of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows within its jurisdiction, the GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO—the Superior Tribunal of all Lodges within the limits of the Province of Ontario—doth hereby ordain the following Articles, as the CONSTITUTION OF ALL SUBORDINATE LODGES working under its immediate jurisdiction :

ARTICLE I.

TITLE AND POWERS.

This Lodge shall be constituted of at least Five Members of the Scarlet Degree, and shall be hailed and entitled, “_____Lodge, No. _____, I. O. O. F., of Ontario, and shall possess the full powers and privileges of a Subordinate Lodge, holding a legal, unreclaimed and valid Charter, duly granted and formally presented by the Grand Lodge of Ontario.”

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERSHIP.

ADMISSION.

CLAUSE 1.—Candidates for Membership by Initiation in this Lodge must be 21 years of age, of good moral character, and in sound health, and residents within the jurisdiction of this Lodge at least six months.

CLAUSE 2.—Every proposition for membership must be submitted in writing by a Brother of this Lodge, and must state the name of the Applicant, and his residence, age, and occupation, supported by a reference to at least one other member of the Lodge.

CLAUSE 3.—The proposition so made shall be referred to a Committee of three Brothers, two of whom shall be appointed by the N. G., and one by the V. G., and who shall report thereon at the next Meeting.

CLAUSE 4.—A ballot shall be taken on the proposition, immediately after the presentation of such report; when, if less than three black balls be found, the Candidate shall be accepted; if three or more, he shall be rejected, and so declared.

CLAUSE 5.—Any Brother or Ancient Odd Fellow, desirous of joining this Lodge, must present a Card of Clearance from the Lodge of which he was previously a Member; and his application shall then be disposed of according to the above regulations.

CLAUSE 6.—Every Member, on his admission, shall sign a promise to support and abide by the Constitution and By-Laws of this Lodge, and to pay all legal demands against him, so long as he shall remain a Member.

CLAUSE 7.—Any Candidate requiring admission, more than thirteen weeks after his election, must be again proposed and balloted for, as in the case of a new Candidate.

CLAUSE 8.—The rejection of any Candidate for membership shall be immediately intimated to every subordinate Lodge in the City, Town or Village, in which such rejection takes place.

CLAUSE 9.—No Candidate who has been rejected can be again proposed for Membership, until, at least, six months after such rejection.

DEGREES.

CLAUSE 10.—Every Brother, previous to his receiving any of the Five Degrees, shall present a certificate from the P. S. that he is not in arrears to the Lodge, and that he has paid all charges for the said Degrees, and shall then be balloted for.

CLAUSE 11.—If, on such ballot, his application be opposed by more than three of the Members present, it shall be rejected; otherwise, he shall be considered eligible, and shall be admitted to the Degree or Degrees in question.

CLAUSE 12.—No certificate for Degree shall be granted until after the Candidate shall have paid the amount required therefor.

CLAUSE 13.—No Brother having been less than one month in Membership, shall be eligible for Degrees; and not more than three Degrees shall be conferred on any Brother at one and the same meeting.

CLAUSE 14.—Any Brother in good standing and clear of the books, desiring to withdraw from a Lodge, may signify such desire either personally in open Lodge or by a letter addressed to the Secretary, whereupon the Lodge shall proceed to a ballot, with ball ballots and a majority vote of the members present shall be necessary to the granting a Card of Withdrawal. If a majority of the members present refuse to grant such card, the applicant

therefor may tender a written resignation of his membership, and shall be entitled to receive from the Secretary under the Seal of the Lodge, a Certificate that he has resigned membership, and such Certificate shall be sufficient evidence that the Brother was in good standing at the time of his resignation; Provided, that upon the refusal of the Card, the member applying for the same shall have the right of appeal to the Grand Lodge.

CLAUSE 15.—Should any Brother, receiving a Card of Clearance from this Lodge, apply within twelve months thereafter to be again admitted a Member of this Lodge and be accepted, the Lodge may remit in his favor the Entrance Fee, or such proportion thereof as it may think fit.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS.

CLAUSE 1.—The Elective Officers of this Lodge shall be Noble Grand, Vice Grand, Secretary, Per Secretary, and Treasurer; and the Lodge may also provide, by its By-Laws, for the election of a Degree Master and a Physician.

CLAUSE 2.—Any Brother to be nominated for the office of D. M., must be a P. G. having the three P. O. Degrees; for the office of N. G., a V. G., or P. V. G.; and all other Elective Officers, except Physician, a Brother who has served at least twenty-six nights in some inferior office, and has attained to the Scarlet Degree.

CLAUSE 3.—All officers shall be eligible for re-election.

CLAUSE 4.—Nominations for the Elective Offices shall be made only at the two meetings next preceding that fixed for the Elections thereto, except when the nominees for an office are all absent without excuse, or decline serving.

CLAUSE 5.—No Brother shall be nominated, who has not signified his willingness to accept the office for which he may be named; and no nomination shall be held to be in force, on proceeding to election, unless the Brother so nominated be then present, or has sent to the Lodge a sufficient excuse in writing.

CLAUSE 6.—The Election of officers shall take place at the last regular meeting in each term, except in the case of D. M., P. S., and Physician, who shall be elected to serve for a term of six or twelve months, as the Lodge by its By-Laws determine.

CLAUSE 7.—If, for any Elective Office, only one Brother shall be in nomination, such Brother shall be declared elected by acclamation; should there be two or more candidates duly nominated, the members present shall proceed to elect one of such candidates by ballot.

CLAUSE 8.—A majority of all the legal votes cast, shall be necessary to election; should there be no choice of an officer at any ballot, a new ballot shall forthwith take place, and after each ballot, the name of the candidate who may have received the smallest number of votes shall be withdrawn.

APPOINTED OFFICERS.

CLAUSE 9.—The appointed Officers of this Lodge shall be W. C., O. G. I. G., R. S. N. G., L. S. N. G., R. S. V. G., L. S. V. G., and R. and L. S. S.; and the Lodge may, at its option, add a Chaplain.

CLAUSE 10.—These Officers shall be appointed by the N. G. immediately after his Installation; except the R. and L. S. V. G., who shall be appointed at the same period by the V. G.

CLAUSE 11.—All Brothers appointed as Officers must be in good standing and the W. and O. G., I. G., must have attained the Scarlet Degree.

CLAUSE 12.—The N. G., with the consent of the Lodge may appoint as O. G. a Brother of the Scarlet Degree belonging to any other Lodge.

VACANCIES.

CLAUSE 13.—Any office, the occupant of which may have been absent without satisfactory excuse from three successive regular meetings, may be declared vacant by vote of the Lodge, on a motion to that effect; provided notice of such motion has been given at the regular meeting previous to that at which the vote is taken.

CLAUSE 14.—Any Vacancy in Office shall be filled by election or appointment as the case may be, in the manner as provided for in the previous Sections; and Brothers, so elected or appointed, shall be entitled to the privileges of the office, provided they complete the term.

DUTIES AND POWERS.

CLAUSE 15.—The Officers of this Lodge shall perform such duties, and be invested with such powers, as are prescribed by the Charge-Books and Usages of the Order, and the laws of the Grand Lodge.

CLAUSE 16.—This Lodge shall have authority to add thereto such duties and powers, as may not be inconsistent with the provisions of the preceding Clause of this Section.

ARTICLE IV.

SESSIONS, TERMS AND RETURNS.

SESSIONS.

CLAUSE 1.—This Lodge shall hold its meetings weekly or semi-monthly, on such evening and at such time as may be provided by its By-Laws; pro-

vided always, that as decided by the Grand Lodge of the United States, twenty-six nights service be required as the term of office.

CLAUSE 2.—Special Sessions may be called by the N. G., such notice thereof being given as may be required by the By-Laws of the Lodge. The notice shall contain the particular reason for calling the same, and no business but that expressed in such notice shall be entered upon at such special meeting.

CLAUSE 3.—No business shall be transacted at any regular or special meeting unless at least five members of this Lodge be then present; nor otherwise than according to the Rules of the Order, annexed to this Constitution.

CLAUSE 4.—Members of other Lodges may be admitted as Visitors, provided they give the Pass-Word for the Term, or are introduced by an Officer of the Grand Lodge.

CLAUSE 5.—This Lodge shall have no power to resolve itself, at any time, into Committee of the whole.

TERMS.

CLAUSE 6.—The Terms of this Lodge shall be Semi-Annual, and shall commence on the first regular meetings in July and January respectively: should the D. M., P. S., or Physician, be elected semi-annually, their Terms shall commence at the first regular meetings in July and January respectively; and, if annually, then at the first regular meetings in July.

CLAUSE 7.—Every Term shall be held to close on the day on which the succeeding one may commence.

RETURNS.

CLAUSE 8.—It shall be the duty of the last Past Officers to prepare and forward to the Grand Secretary of Ontario immediately on the expiry of their Term of Office, a regular Return of the work of such Term, with the result of the Election of Officers, &c., in accordance with such blank form of Semi-Annual Return, as the Grand Lodge may from time to time direct to be used.

CLAUSE 9.—Such semi-annual return shall be accompanied by the amount due the Grand Lodge; the same being 25 cents for each unsuspended Member on said return.

CLAUSE 10.—A Fine of two dollars shall be payable by this Lodge for every month that may elapse after the close of any Semi-Annual term previous to the Returns required by Clause 8 being placed in the possession of the Grand Lodge.

CLAUSE 11.—Should this Lodge, or the Officers thereof, fail to make the returns required by the preceding Clauses, for twelve months, it shall thereby become liable to the forfeiture of its Charter; and it shall be the duty of the last installed Officers, to transmit or surrender to the Grand Master on requisition from him to that effect, (or to such other Brother as may be appointed, by the Grand Lodge or Grand Master to receive the same,) the Charter, books papers, furniture and funds of the Lodge.

ARTICLE V.

FUNDS.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

CLAUSE 1.—There shall be two regular Funds of this Lodge, to be known respectively as the Widows and Orphans' Fund and the General Benefit Fund; and the Lodge may provide, by its By-Laws, for the institution of a Special Fund or Funds for any of the benevolent purposes contemplated by the Order; provided always that in the case of every such Special Fund the receipts and disbursements on account thereof shall be kept altogether distinct from the Regular Funds hereby established.

CLAUSE 2.—The Entrance Fee of this Lodge must be paid in every case previous to the admission of the Candidate, and shall not be less than five Dollars.

CLAUSE 3.—The Charges for Degrees shall not be at a less rate than One Dollar for each of the five Degrees; and all monies received on account of Degree Charges shall be applied to the General Benefit Fund.

CLAUSE 4.—The Contributions of each Member to the regular Benefit Funds of this Lodge, shall be determined by the By-Laws, but shall not be at less rate than One Dollar per Quarter. This Lodge shall place such portion of its Quarterly Dues to the credit of the W. & O. Fund as it may see fit, provided it be not less than one fifth nor more than one third, the remainder to be placed to the credit of the General Benefit Fund.

CLAUSE 5.—The Lodge shall have the power of enacting such Fees for Visiting and Clearance Cards, (to be applied to the General Fund) and such Fines for neglect of duty, &c., (to be applied to the Widows and Orphans' Fund) as may be determined by the By-Laws.

DISBURSEMENTS.

CLAUSE 6.—Every member, qualified as required by the By-Laws, if rendered incapable of following his usual occupation, by sickness or disability, not occasioned by immoral conduct on his part, shall be entitled to receive from the General Fund, such weekly Sick Benefit as may be fixed by the By-Laws; Provided always that such weekly Benefit shall in no case exceed three times the quarterly contribution required from each member to the General Benefit Fund, and that this Lodge shall not be held to pay such Benefit for any term of sickness shorter than one week unless specially so provided by its By-Laws.

CLAUSE 7.—In case of the death of a Brother, qualified as required by the By-Laws, there shall be paid to his nearest of kin or other legal representative, from the General Fund, towards defraying the funeral expences, such sum, not being less than Twenty Dollars, nor more than Fifty Dollars, as may be fixed by the By-Laws of this Lodge.

CLAUSE 8.—The Lodge may provide by its By-Laws for the payment of a Funeral Benefit to a duly qualified Brother, on the demise of his wife, to assist in defraying the expences of her funeral: Provided such Funeral

Benefit shall not exceed one half of the amount payable by the Lodge for a Funeral Benefit under Clause 7 of this Article.

CLAUSE 9.—The Lodge shall, by its By-Laws, make such provisions as shall seem meet for the relief of Brothers in a state of pecuniary distress; Provided such relief shall be applied from no other than the General Fund, and shall in no case exceed the sum of Fifty Dollars.

CLAUSE 10.—The Lodge shall make such disposition of the Widows and Orphans' Fund, for the relief and benefit of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Brothers of this Lodge, by annuity or otherwise, as it shall see fit; Provided always that no annuity shall exceed the amount that would be contributed, by any one member, to such Widows and Orphans' Fund, within the space of twenty-five years, under the By-Laws of the Lodge; and that, if relief be otherwise given, the amount shall in no case exceed four times the limit thus fixed for annuities.

ARTICLE VI.

PENALTIES AND TRIAL.

PENALTIES.

CLAUSE 1.—Any Brother who shall violate any of the principles of the Order, or infringe the Constitution or By-Laws of this Lodge, shall be subject to be fined, reprimanded, suspended or expelled, as the By-Laws may direct, ancient usage require, or the Lodge determine.

CLAUSE 2.—Every Brother charged with any offence involving reprimand, suspension or expulsion, (unless for non-payment of dues), shall be entitled to a fair trial, in accordance with the provisions of Clause 8, of this Article.

CLAUSE 3.—When any Brother, suspended for an indefinite period, for any other cause than non-payment of dues, desires to be reinstated, his case shall be referred to a Committee of five Brothers, who, after due investigation, shall report at the next regular meeting; and if a majority of the members then present shall vote in his favor, he shall thereupon be declared eligible for re-instatement.

CLAUSE 4.—No Brother shall be re-instated, until he shall have paid any arrearages against him at the time of his suspension, and all dues that may have accrued since then.

CLAUSE 5.—At the end of every month, the Recording Secretary shall fill out and forward to the Grand Secretary, a list containing the names of members reinstated during the month, also of those who have ceased membership for non-payment of dues, and the names of members suspended and expelled during the same time, in each case giving date and cause of suspension and expulsion.

CLAUSE 6.—No Brother who has been legally expelled, or who has ceased to be a member for non-payment of dues, except members of defunct Lodges,

shall be again admitted to membership in any Lodge of this Order without the consent of the Lodge from which he was expelled or dropped, and in no case shall he be re-admitted without compliance with all the forms for new applicants, excepting the ceremony of initiation.

TRIALS.

CLAUSE 7.—No Member of this Lodge shall be put on trial, unless charges duly specifying his alleged offence shall first be submitted to the Lodge in writing, by one or more Brothers of the Order in good standing.

CLAUSE 8.—Any charge or charges so preferred, shall be referred to a Committee of five Members, of whom three shall be a quorum, to be chosen by ballot; which Committee shall, with as little delay as the case will admit, furnish the accused with a copy of the charge or charges, summon the parties, and examine and determine the matter in question. In selecting this Committee, only one name shall be written upon any ballot.

CLAUSE 9.—Should the decision of the Committee not involve the suspension or expulsion of a member, and should no appeal be made therefrom, it shall be final, without further action from the Lodge.

CLAUSE 10.—Should the Committee be convinced of the necessity of suspending or expelling a Member, a motion to that effect shall be submitted to the Lodge by three of their number, in their name.

CLAUSE 11.—Any motion for the suspension or expulsion of a Member shall be announced at the two regular meetings previous to that on which it is to be decided, which last meeting the Brother under charges shall be summoned to attend; and at the time so appointed, whether the implicated Brother be present or not, the Lodge may proceed to consider and determine the question.

CLAUSE 12.—The Lodge shall have the power, at the meeting appointed for the decision, to vary the penalty to one less severe than that contained in the motion submitted by the Committee.

APPEALS.

CLAUSE 13.—Any party interested, shall have the right of appeal to the Lodge from the decision of a Committee, given under Clause 9 of this Article; and notice of the meeting appointed for trying the appeal, shall be given at least one regular meeting previous.

CLAUSE 14.—On the evening appointed, the Committee shall present to the Lodge, in writing, the grounds on which their decision was founded, and the parties interested shall have the privilege of being heard before the Lodge; and the decision shall then be confirmed, annulled, or modified, as a majority of the Members present shall determine.

CLAUSE 15.—Any party interested may appeal to the Grand Lodge of Ontario, on the ground of informality or want of fairness; and if such informality or want of fairness be proved—but not otherwise—the Lodge may be ordered by the Grand Lodge to hold a new trial on the same charges, in the mode provided for in Clauses 7 to 12 of this Article.

ARTICLE VII.

REGALIA AND JEWELS.

REGALIA.

CLAUSE 1.—The regalia of the Order shall be as follows, to wit: Collars of Subordinate Lodges shall be white, trimmed with the emblematic color of the degree intended to be represented, namely: First degree, white; second degree, pink; third degree, blue; fourth degree, green; fifth degree, scarlet; rosettes of the appropriate colors can be worn on the collars. Among those who may have attained the Royal Purple Degree, rosettes composed of black, yellow and purple, may be worn on the collar either in connection with the other colors or as a separate rosette. The Noble Grand shall wear a scarlet collar; Vice-Grand, blue collar; Secretary, green collar; Treasurer, green collar, each of them trimmed with white or silver. Supporters of Noble Grand, scarlet sashes; of the Vice-Grand, blue sashes; Warden and Conductor, black sashes; Scene Supporters, white sashes; Chaplain, white sash; Outside Guardian, red sash; Inside Guardian, blue sash.

JEWELS.

CLAUSE 2.—The jewel of a P. G. is a five pointed star; of Noble Grand, crossed gravels; of Vice-Grand, hour glass; of Secretary, crossed pens; of Treasurer, green keys; of Warden, crossed wands; of Conductor, crossed axes; of Guardian, crossed swords; all to be of white metal.

FUNERAL REGALIA.

CLAUSE 3.—Funeral regalia consists of a black crape rosette, having a centre of the color of the highest Degree to which the wearer has attained, to be worn on the left breast, with a sprig of evergreen above, and such jewel or jewels as the Brother may be entitled to wear, suspended below. Grand Lodges may at their discretion, permit the ordinary Regalia to be worn at funerals, either in connection with, or as a substitute for this simple regalia.

CLAUSE 4.—The ordinary mourning badge to be worn by Brothers in memory of a deceased Brother, is a strip of black crape passed through one button hole of the left lappel of the coat, tied with a narrow ribbon of the color of the highest Degree the wearer has attained.

CLAUSE 5.—Past Officers and Members of the Encampment Degrees, and all other Members of the Order, WHEN VISITING Grand or Subordinate Lodges or Encampments, are entitled to wear the Regalia and Jewels pertaining to the highest Degree they have taken. (See By-Laws G. L. U. S., Art. 24, and amended By-Law 22, G. L. U. S., passed 1872. See also, Clause 66, Constitution of this G. L.)

CLAUSE 6.—The Encampment Regalia (EXCEPT BY VISITORS), can only be worn in an Encampment; but members of a Grand Lodge who have received the Royal Purple Degree, may wear the Colors of the Encampment in a Grand Lodge.

ARTICLE VIII.

BY-LAWS, ETC.

BY-LAWS.

CLAUSE 1.—This Lodge shall stand fully invested with the power to adopt, from time to time, such By-Laws and Resolutions as may be deemed expedient; Provided they do not in anywise contravene any part of this Constitution; the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, or the principles or customs of the Order.

CLAUSE 2.—All such By-Laws shall be immediately forwarded in duplicate to the Grand Secretary, authenticated by the Seal of the Lodge, and the signature of its N. G. and Secretary; one copy to be retained by the Grand Lodge, and the other to be returned to the Lodge, certified as approved, or otherwise, as the case may be.

DISPENSATIONS.

CLAUSE 3.—The Grand Lodge, or in its recess, the Grand Master shall have power to grant Dispensations to any Lodge, to exempt it in any particular case, from the operation of any of the foregoing Regulations, other than financial, whenever the Grand Lodge or Grand Master may deem it for the welfare and interest of the Order so to do.

CLAUSE 4.—Such charge shall be made for Dispensations issued under this Section, as the Grand Lodge may from time to time direct.

AMENDMENTS.

CLAUSE 5.—This Constitution, or any part thereof, shall not be altered, amended, suspended or annulled, unless by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

RULES OF ORDER.

RULE I.—As soon as the Presiding Officer shall have taken the Chair, the Officers and Brothers present shall take their respective stations, and the Lodge shall then be opened in ancient form.

RULE II.—The order of procedure after opening, shall be as follows:—

- 1.—The calling of the Roll of Officers.
- 2.—The consideration of any excuses which may be offered by Absentees from previous meetings.
- 3.—The reading by the Secretary of the Minutes of the last Lodge night; the consideration of any objections which may be made to any part thereof, and their approval, with or without amendment, as the case may require.
- 4.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports from the Visiting Committee, or from other Brothers who may have to report the fact of any Brother being sick or in distress.
- 5.—The nomination or election of Officers, on the evenings designated for such nomination or election.
- 6.—The receiving and consideration of Reports of Committees on Character, and balloting thereon.
- 7.—The Initiation of Candidates for Membership.
- 8.—The receiving of Propositions for Membership, and their reference to Committees on Character.
- 9.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports of Officers or Standing Committees, which may require to be made in pursuance of the By-Laws.
- 10.—The receiving and consideration of any Reports of Special Committees, in the order of their seniority.
- 11.—The reading and consideration of Accounts and other Communications in the hands of the Secretary.
- 12.—Good and Welfare: being *first*, Unfinished Business, in order of priority at former meetings; and *secondly*, New Business.
- 13.—The closing of the Lodge.

RULE III.—Any member offering a motion must do so in writing, if a request to that effect be made by the Secretary, the Presiding Officer, or the Lodge.

RULE IV.—No question shall be put by the Presiding Officer, unless regularly moved and seconded; nor be open for consideration until so put; and, when put, no other motion shall be receivable, unless it be a motion—

- 1.—To adjourn;
- 2.—To lay on the table;

3.—To put the previous question ;

4.—To postpone ;

5.—To refer ; or

6.—To amend.

These several motions, if made, shall have precedence in the order above stated, and the first, second and third thereof, shall be decided without debate.

RULE V.—The Previous Question shall be put from the Chair, only after it shall have been ascertained that the call therefor is sustained by a majority of the members of the Lodge present, and then shall always be put in the words following: "*Shall the question be now put?*" which words shall be understood to have reference to whatever question may be pending, immediately before such call for the previous question may have been so made.

RULE VI.—If the vote of the Lodge, taken pursuant to such call for the Previous Question, be in the affirmative, the Presiding Officer shall thereupon forthwith put to vote the question so pending, immediately before such call, and shall allow no amendment or further debate thereon; and if, on the other hand, the vote of the Lodge be in the negative, the Presiding Officer shall be thereby precluded from putting to vote, during the remainder of the current term, the question so pending as aforesaid.

RULE VII.—Any member may require the division of a question, when the sense will admit of it.

RULE VIII.—When a blank is to be filled, the question shall first be taken on the highest sum or number, and longest or latest time, proposed.

RULE IX.—The Ayes and Nays shall be taken and recorded, on the call of any member, duly seconded.

RULE X.—After any question, except that of indefinite postponement or the previous question, may have been decided, any two members having voted in the majority, may, at the same or next regular meeting, move for a reconsideration thereof; but no discussion on the main question shall be allowed upon such motion.

RULE XI.—Any question decided by the Lodge, shall not again be brought before it, otherwise than by re-consideration, as provided in the foregoing Rule, unless notice thereof shall have been given at the meeting immediately preceding; and such notice shall not be received during the term in which the question has been decided.

RULE XII.—Every member shall have the privilege of speaking twice on any question, but not oftener, unless by permission of the Presiding Officer.

RULE XIII.—Any Brother intending to speak on a question, shall rise in his place, and respectfully address the Presiding Officer, confining himself to the question, and avoiding personalities; and should more than one Brother rise to speak at the same time, the Presiding Officer shall determine which is entitled to the floor.

RULE XIV.—The Presiding Officer, or any member, may call a Brother to order while speaking; and, in such case, the debate shall be forthwith sus-

pended, and the Brother so called to order shall not proceed, until the point of order thus raised be determined, nor speak upon such point of order, unless it be to make necessary explanation, or appeal from the decision of the Chair.

RULE XV.—In all cases where a member may appeal from the decision of the Chair, he shall use the words following, and none other, unless it be for necessary explanation:—“ M: N., *I respectfully appeal from the decision of the Chair to the Lodge,*” and the Lodge shall, after such explanation from the Presiding Officer as he may deem necessary, proceed forthwith to consider and vote upon the question:—“ *Will the Lodge sustain the decision of the Chair ?*”

RULE XVI.—Any Brother who may have been called to order for manifestation of temper, or improper feeling, must apologise to the Lodge or to any aggrieved party, if required so to do by the Presiding Officer; and shall not speak again on the pending question, except to explain or apologise, unless specially permitted so to do by the Presiding Officer.

RULE XVII.—The Presiding Officer, or the Lodge may, at any time, require all members present to vote upon any pending question, or may excuse any member or members from so doing.

RULE XVIII.—Brothers, not members of this Lodge, may address the Lodge, on receiving permission to that effect from the Presiding Officer.

RULE XIX.—No Brother shall retire while the Lodge is open, without the permission of the Presiding Officer.

RULE XX.—A motion to suspend or alter the Order of Procedure, as contained in Rule II, for the remainder of a meeting, may, at any time, be carried by a unanimous vote, or, if as many as seven members call upon the Lodge to sustain it, by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting thereon; but no motion to suspend or alter such Order of Procedure for a longer term, shall at any time be put to vote.

RULE XXI.—These Rules, or any part thereof, shall only be altered, amended, suspended, or annulled (except in the case provided for by Rule XX), by action of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Constitution and General Regulations for the Formation and Government of Degree Lodges.

1. Whenever it may appear to the brethren of any Lodge or Lodges in any District under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Ontario, that it would be consistent with the interests of the Order to establish a Degree Lodge in such District, it shall be proper for them to authorize ten brothers of the Scarlet Degree to make a written application to this Grand Lodge to that effect.
2. Such application shall be signed by the full number of the brethren so authorized; and shall be accompanied by the Charter Fee, \$5; by a certificate from the D. D. G. M., that the petitioners are properly qualified, and by a certificate over the seal of the Lodge or Lodges with which they are connected, that they are members in good standing, and that they have been duly authorized by their Lodge or Lodges to apply for such Charter.
3. On receipt of a formal application for a Charter as above required, the Grand Master may issue a Warrant for the immediate establishment of a Degree Lodge.
4. As soon as the necessary authority shall have been obtained from the Grand Master, the brethren petitioning shall summon all Scarlet Degree members in good standing in their Lodge or Lodges, and proceed to the election of officers; after which the D. D. G. M. shall duly institute the Degree Lodge and instal the officers elect, after the manner and form prescribed for the same.
5. A Degree Lodge shall be composed of members in good standing in the Order of the Scarlet Degree, resident within the jurisdiction of the Degree Lodge, and all business (except that of conferring the 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Degrees of this Order), shall be transacted when open in the Scarlet Degree.
6. The Elective Officers of a Degree Lodge shall be a Degree Master, Deputy Degree Master, 1st Assistant Deputy Degree Master, 2nd Assistant Deputy Degree Master, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be elected semi-annually by a majority of the votes polled for that purpose.
7. Nominations for Elective Officers shall be made upon the last two meetings in the months of June and December in each year.
8. Elections for the Elective Officers shall be held upon the last regular meetings in the months of June and December in each year, and the in-

Installation of Officers shall take place on the first regular meetings in the months of July and January in each year.

9. The Appointed Officers shall be a Warden, Conductor, and Outside and Inside Guardians, to be appointed by the Degree Master, upon the night of his installation.

10. No brother shall be eligible for the office of Degree Master who has not received the Past Official Degrees of the Order, and who is not a P. G. in good standing in some Subordinate Lodge of this Order in Ontario.

11. No brother shall be eligible for the office of Deputy Degree Master who is not a Past Grand in good standing in some Subordinate Lodge, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

12. Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, and the Degree Lodge shall have power to suspend or expel a member when his conduct shall render it necessary, such suspension or expulsion to be decided upon in accordance with the usages of the Order in Ontario.

13. Loss of good standing, or suspension or expulsion from membership in a Subordinate Lodge, shall at once similarly effect the member's standing in the Degree Lodge, and reinstatement in the Subordinate shall work reinstatement in the Degree Lodge.

14. The Degree Master shall preside, and shall have power to convene special meetings, and perform such other duties as are prescribed by the official obligations, and the usages of the Order.

15. The Deputy Degree Master shall occupy the usual position of the V. G.; assist the Degree Master in the discharge of his duties, and in his absence shall preside.

16. The 1st A. D. D. Master, 2nd A. D. D. Master, Treasurer, Warden, Conductor, Inside Guardian and Outside Guardian, shall perform the duties assigned to them at their installation, and by the usages of the Order.

17. The Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of the transactions of the Degree Lodge, he shall conduct all correspondence, and report promptly to their respective Lodges, the names of brothers upon whom Degrees are conferred, and also the date and the name or names, or numbers of the Degrees conferred. He shall make out for the Grand Lodge, at the first regular meeting in each term, a Report of the Officers for the current term, and the numbers of each Degree conferred, and also of the funds of the Degree Lodge, particularizing the sources whence such funds have been derived. He shall enter in a separate book or record, the name of every brother receiving Degrees, together with the name of his Lodge, and date of receiving the said Degrees, and perform such other duties as are prescribed by his charge of office, and the laws and usages of the Order.

18. The application of a brother for any Degree, with the fee for the same, must be received by his Subordinate Lodge, in which Lodge he shall be balloted for by the members of the Degree for which he applies, when opened in that Degree. If he be not opposed by more than three black balls, he shall be deemed eligible, and a certificate to that effect shall be granted

him, which certificate, on being presented to the Degree Lodge, shall be its authority for conferring the Degree or Degrees applied for.

19. A Degree Lodge may, with the consent of two-thirds of the members of the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges connected with it, present and voting at a regular meeting of such Subordinate Lodge or Lodges, charge its members an entrance fee and stated dues. Should no fees or dues be charged, the expenses of the Degree Lodge shall be borne by the Subordinate Lodge or Lodges to which the Degree members belong.

20. A Subordinate Lodge may provide by its By-laws for the payment to the Degree Lodge of a part or the whole of the regular charge for the Degrees, in which case the Degree Lodge shall pay to this Grand Lodge 8 per cent. of the amount so received.

21. Any Degree Lodge failing to comply with Clause 17 of these Laws, shall pay to this Grand Lodge a fine of two dollars for every month that may elapse before its semi-annual Return shall be placed in the possession of this Grand Lodge.

22. Any Degree Lodge failing to make a Return as above, for twelve months, shall become liable to a forfeiture of its Charter, which may be recalled by the Grand Master or this Grand Lodge, and any Degree Lodge failing to meet for three months shall become extinct, and it shall become the duty of the Officers last installed, to transmit to this Grand Lodge the Charter, Books, Funds and other property of said Degree Lodge.

23. Any Degree Lodge shall have power to adopt necessary rules and regulations for its government, conformable to this Constitution, and to the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, and the laws and usages of this Order.

24. All prior decisions and regulations of this Grand Lodge, in conflict with the foregoing Constitution, are hereby repealed.

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LIST OF PAST GRAND MASTERS.

*THOMAS REYNOLDS, M. D.....	BROCKVILLE, 1856 to 1858.
†CHAUNCEY YALE,.....	ST. CATHARINES, 1859.
S. G. DOLSON	do 1860.
WILLIAM BISSELL	LONDON, 1861.
H. C. BINGHAM	BRANTFORD, 1862.
JAMES WOODYATT	do 1863.
JAMES SMITH	LONDON, 1864.
JAMES D. TAIT	ST. CATHARINES, 1865.
RICHARD WIGMORE.....	LONDON, 1866.
HENRY McAFEE.....	WINDSOR, 1867.
JOHN BARR	HAMILTON, 1868.
THOMAS PARTRIDGE	LONDON, 1869.
WILLIAM N. FORD.....	ST. MARYS, 1870.
JOHN GIBSON	STRATFORD, 1871.
JOHN MURRAY	CLIFTON, 1872.

* Died 14th September, 1859.

† Died 15th April, 1866.

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TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE ANNUAL SESSION OF 1874.

ARTICLE II—CLAUSE V.

Notice by Rep. W. J. Diamond :

CLAUSE 5.—To read as follows : "Every Lodge within the jurisdiction shall, at its first meeting in the month of July, annually, elect by ballot from its Past Grands in good standing, a Representative or Representatives as follows, that is to say : One Representative where the number of members returned in the next preceding semi-annual Report shall be 100 or less ; over 100, two Representatives, and no more."

ARTICLE IV—CLAUSE IX.

Notice by Rep. J. O. Campbell :

CLAUSE 9.—To read as follows : "Such *semi-annual* Return shall be accompanied by the amount due the Grand Lodge ; the same being twenty cents for each unsuspended member on said Return."

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