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WINDSOR, AUGUST 21st, 1894

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias, of Ontario, assembled in annual session, in the Collegiate Institute, and was called to order by Grand Chancellor Rispen at 10 o'clock a.m.

Present the following Grand Officers :—

J. B. DAVIDSON.....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN.....	Grand Chancellor.
B. S. VAN TUYL.....	Grand Vice Chancellor.
A. C. MACDONALD.....	Grand Prelate.
G. H. MITCHELL.....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
WM. SMITH.....	Grand Inner Guard.
R. POULTON.....	Grand Outer Guard.
And	
JOHN S. KING.....	Supreme Representative
P. D. MCKELLAR.....	“ “

The roll of lodges being called the following were represented :

Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 20, 22, 25, 28, 30, 33, 36, 37 and 40.

A quorum of lodges being represented the Grand Lodge was opened in regular form.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives Rattray, of No. 4, and Alexander, of No. 30, to fill vacancies on Committee on Credentials and Returns.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the credentials of Representatives and Past Chancellors, and the semi-annual reports of lodges, which were referred to the Committee on Credentials and Returns.

Pending the report of the committee a recess was declared, during which Representative McWhinney, of No. 16, introduced His Worship, J. H. Beattie, Esq., Mayor of Windsor, who, after a few introductory remarks, read the following address :

*To the Grand Chancellor, Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, Knights of Pythias :*

BRETHREN,—In the name and on behalf of the citizens of Windsor, I welcome you to this place.

Your mission here is, of course, principally a business one, namely, for the purpose of dealing with matters exclusively pertaining to the present and future welfare of an organization or society which I am assured is purely a benevolent one ; and I trust that in the prosecution and discharge of your important duties, you will experience neither serious perplexity nor material hindrance, but, on the contrary, be enabled to complete your labors within the allotted time, and find leisure in which to make yourselves conversant with Windsor and the many beautiful pleasure resorts situated in this portion of your jurisdiction.

J. H. BEATTIE, Mayor.



WINDSOR, August 21st, 1894.

The Grand Chancellor responded, thanking His Worship for the kind expressions of good-will towards, and the high appreciation of, the Order, which he had given utterance to in his opening remarks, and desired him on behalf of the Grand Lodge to express to the Council of the Corporation of the City of Windsor its sincere thanks for the address presented.

The Grand Chancellor then called the Assembly to their feet and the Mayor was escorted to the ante-room by the Grand Master-at-Arms, after which the room was cleared of all but those entitled to be present and the Grand Lodge was called to order.

Representative Rattray, of No. 4, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns, presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT NO. 1, OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS  
AND RETURNS.

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns begs leave to report that it has examined the credentials of the following Past Chancellors, and find that they are entitled to receive the Grand Lodge Rank:

NAME.	No. of Lodge.
Chas. Deverall.....	1
R. Cadwallader.....	2
John Burns.....	3
Wm. Smith.....	5
Ed. Beeton.....	6
A. G. McWhinney.....	10
Geo. H. Taylor.....	11
John Stacey.....	12
John J. Wells.....	13
W. R. Smith.....	14
J. R. Weir.....	17
W. M. Shannessey.....	18
A. A. Gillie.....	19
H. E. Bates.....	22
H. Peel.....	25
Geo. Spencer.....	28
J. L. Little.....	30
Alf. E. Lackner.....	31
Wm. S. Partridge.....	33
J. D. Forsyth, A. Elliott, H. G. Lake, E. F. Clarke.....	41
E. K. Barnsdale, Fred. J. Corrie, W. McWhinney, J. Rooke.....	42

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. RATRAY, No. 4.  
A. A. ALEXANDER, No. 30.  
G. C. FOWLIE, No. 28.

The Grand-Master-at-Arms retired and introduced the following Past Chancellors on whom the Grand Lodge Rank was conferred in ritualistic form :

John Burns .....	3
J. Y. Murdoch and Ed. Beeton.....	6
A. G. McWhinney and H. A. Plastow.....	10
C. H. Ashdown and C. H. Robinson.....	16
A. A. Gillie.....	19
A B. Armstrong.....	20
M. P. Huffman.....	25
J. F. Gray.....	30
D. C. Kennedy.....	37
A. F. Robb.....	38
R. J. Leigh and Wm. Pears.....	39
A. Elliott.....	41
E. K. Barnsdale and F. J. Corrie.....	42

Representative Rattray, of No. 4, from the Committee on Credentials and Returns, presented the following report which was adopted :

#### REPORT NO. 2, OF THE COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS.

Your Committee on Credentials and Returns begs leave to report that from the Journal of last session, or from certificates in proper form presented at this session, it finds the Past Chancellors in the first column are entitled to seats in this Grand Lodge as Grand Representatives for the term ending December 31st, 1894, and from the certificates submitted by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the Past Chancellors in the second column are entitled to seats as Grand Representatives for the term ending December 31st, 1895 :

Name and No. of Lodge.	Year ending Dec. 31st, 1894.	Year ending Dec. 31st, 1895.
Mystic Lodge, No. 1.....	Thos. Shortiss.....	C. H. Wallis.
Myrtle " " 2.....	F. F. C. Richardson.....	R. A. Carrothers.
Red Cross " " 3.....	John L. Brown.....	J. P. Macleod.
Ivanhoe " " 4.....	W. L. Bemister.....	A. J. Rattray.
Crossader " " 5.....	Geo. Hodder.....	W. R. Cooke.
Damon " " 6.....	A. F. Oakley.....	J. Y. Murdoch.
Rokeby " " 9.....	W. S. Wooliver.....	W. J. McDonald.
Prospect " " 10.....	S. A. Webb.....	H. A. Plastow.
Algoma " " 11.....	Hy. Dubois.....	E. Biggings.
Rathbone " " 12.....	R. H. McConnell.....	J. Stacey.

Aurora Lodge	No. 13	Geo. Ross	R. R. Reaveley.
Olive	" 14	Fred. Snider	W. R. Smyth.
Marmion	" 15	W. H. Robinson	S. Stephenson.
Friendship	" 16	J. Blackwood	Thos. McWhinney.
Petrolia	" 17	B. S. Van Tuyl	A. K. Sturgeon.
Queen City	" 18	W. J. Cluff	W. J. Carkeek.
Meniss	" 19	S. Hicks	A. A. Gillie.
Amicus	" 20	W. A. Murrell	A. B. Armstrong.
Mizpah	" 22	Wm. Hill	F. Whittaker.
Perseverance	" 23	W. H. Harris	
Ontario	" 25	Theo. Jorgenson	M. P. Huffman.
Dufferin	" 28	G. C. Fowle	R. A. Bennett.
Toronto	" 30	W. C. Macdonald	J. F. Gray.
Bismarck	" 31	Adam Belz	H. Belz.
Sicily	" 32	John Norris	
London	" 33	S. J. Southcott	E. Hölland.
Oil Springs	" 34	David Whitehead	
Windsor	" 35	H. E. Young	D. W. Mason.
Calanthe	" 36	R. Poulton	Thos. Elliott.
Columbian	" 37	E. J. McRobert	D. C. Kennedy.
Galt	" 38	Andrew Laidlaw	Jno. Perry.
Syracuse	" 39	Wm. Pears	R. J. Leigh.
Johnston	" 40	Jas. H. Lambert	Jno. Easton.
Philos	" 41	A. Elliott	E. F. Clarke.
Hamlet	" 42	E. K. Barnsdale	F. J. Corrie.

Your Committee further find the following Past Chancellors entitled to seats as Grand Representatives, for reasons stated :

For term ending Dec. 31st, 1894 :

Jesse Chapman, Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, as extra Representative, this lodge having over 150 members,

Ed. Beeton, Damon Lodge No. 6, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of A. F. Oakley.

A. G. McWhinney, Prospect Lodge, No. 10, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of S. A. Webb.

J. J. Wells, Aurora Lodge, No. 13, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Geo. Ross.

C. Endress, Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of B. S. Van Tuyl.

A. A. Alexander, Toronto Lodge, No. 30, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of W. C. Macdonald.



W. H. Crawford, Calanthe Lodge, No. 36, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of R. Poulton.

For term ending Dec. 31st, 1895:

John Burns, Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of J. P. Macleod.

A. F. Robb, Galt Lodge No. 38, to fill vacancy caused by resignation of John Petry.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. RATTRAY, No. 4.

A. A. ALEXANDER, No. 30.

G. C. FOWLIE, No. 28.

On roll being called the following Grand Representatives were found to be present.

Mystic,	No. 1	Thos. Shortiss.
Myrtle,	2	F. F. C. Richardson, R. A. Carrothers.
Red Cross,	3	J. L. Brown, John Burns, Jesse Chapman.
Ivanhoe,	4	W. L. Bemister, A. J. Rattray.
Damon,	6	Ed. Beeton, J. V. Murdoch.
Prospect,	10	A. G. McWhinney, H. A. Plastow.
Rathbone,	12	R. H. McConnell.
Marmion,	15	W. H. Robinson.
Friendship,	16	Thos. McWhinney.
Queen City,	18	W. J. Cluff.
Meniss,	19	A. A. Gillie.
Amicus,	20	W. A. Murrell, A. B. Armstrong.
Mizpah,	22	Wm. Hill, F. Whittaker.
Ontario,	25	T. Jorgenson, M. P. Huffman.
Dufferin,	28	G. C. Fowlie, R. A. Bennett.
Toronto,	30	A. A. Alexander, J. F. Gray.
London,	33	S. J. Southcott.
Calanthe,	36	Thos. Elliott.
Columbian,	37	E. J. McRobert, D. C. Kennedy.
Galt,	38	A. F. Robb.
Syracuse,	39	Wm. Pears, R. J. Leigh.
Johnston,	40	J. H. Lambert, Jno. Easton.
Philos,	41	A. Elliott.
Hamlet,	42	E. K. Barnsdale, F. J. Corrie.

The Grand Chancellor announced that he had excused Representative Wallis, of No. 1, from attendance at this morning session.



The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal proceeded to read the minutes of last session, when, on motion of Grand Master of Exchequer Peace, the further reading of the same was dispensed with and the Journal as printed was approved.

The Grand Chancellor announced the following Standing Committees, the names appearing in italics being appointed to fill vacancies :

#### STANDING COMMITTEES.

##### LAW AND SUPERVISION :

Thos. Shortiss.....	of No. 1
W. L. Bemister.....	" 4
<i>R. A. Bennett</i> .....	" 28

##### APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES :

Wm. Hill.....	of No. 22
S. J. Southcott.....	" 33
<i>A. G. McWhinney</i> .....	" 10

##### FINANCE :

R. H. McConnell.....	of No. 12
J. L. Brown.....	" 3
<i>C. H. Wallis</i> .....	" 1

##### STATE OF THE ORDER :

W. H. Robinson.....	of No. 15
F. F. C. Richardson.....	" 2
E. J. McRobert.....	" 37

##### PRINTING :

Theo. Jorgenson.....	of No. 25
W. J. Cluff.....	" 18
W. A. Murrell.....	" 20

##### ALSO, A SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION :

Jesse Chapman.....	of No. 3
E. Beeton.....	" 6
A. F. Robb.....	" 38

The Grand Chancellor appointed Supreme Representative King as official reporter.

The reports of the Grand Chancellor, Grand Master of Exchequer, and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal were presented in printed form, and referred to the Committee on Distribution.

#### REPORT OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario :*

BRETHREN.—The cycle of time has made one more revolution and we are again permitted to meet in our twenty-third annual assembly for the purpose of carrying on the legislation necessary for the welfare of our beloved order, and I sincerely hope that all the questions brought before you will receive your earnest attention and that your deliberations and conclusions will be in the interest of furthering our principles, and that the Almighty will shower His divine blessings on you and through you of the whole jurisdiction.

It is with feelings of extreme pleasure that I look back upon the fourteen months just past, during which I have had the honor of presiding over the order in Ontario, and in surrendering to you the trust which you placed in my hands at your last session, I wish to express to the order in Ontario my appreciation of their loyalty and fealty to me in my official capacity as your head and my thanks for the many acts of kindness received which will be treasured as mementos of one of the most pleasant periods of my life.

Although we have passed through one of the worst periods of commercial depression during the past year ever known on this continent, I am pleased to say that the order in this jurisdiction has made steady progress but I feel sure that we are capable of much greater than we have yet exhibited, and I trust that at this session of Grand Lodge the necessary legislation will be passed to assist in this much desired result.

I beg herewith to present to you a detailed statement of my official acts during recess for your consideration.

#### DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

Immediately after assuming the office of Grand Chancellor I made the following appointments :—

No. 1	District, County of York	.....	Theo. Jorgenson, Toronto.
No. 2	“ “	Wentworth	..... J. V. Hedenberg, Hamilton
No. 3	“ “	Middlesex	..... S. J. Southcott, London.
No. 4	“ “	Kent	..... W. S. Wooliver, Wallaceburg
No. 5	“ “	Essex	..... H. E. Young, Windsor.
No. 6	“ “	Algoma	..... E. Biggings, Sault Ste. Marie
No. 7	“ “	Thunder Bay	..... Geo. Hodder, Port Arthur.
No. 8	“ “	Elgin	..... John Stacey, St. Thomas.

No. 12	District, County of Leeds, Grenville, Stormont and south half of Lanark.....	R. A. Bennett, Smith's Falls
No. 14	“ “ Renfrew, Carlton, Russell, Prescott and north half of Lanark.....	G. C. Fowlie, Smith's Falls.
No. 15	“ “ Lambton.....	G. S. Pitkin, Petrolia.
No. 16	“ “ Huron and Bruce.....	W. Crawford, Wingham.
No. 17	“ “ Nipissing.....	S. Hicks, Chapleau.
No. 18	“ “ Lincoln.....	W. M. Shaw, St. Catharines
No. 19	“ “ Brant.....	F. C. Heath, M. D., Brantford
No. 20	“ “ Waterloo.....	A. F. Robb, Galt.

I have nothing but words of praise for most of my Deputies who have performed their duties faithfully and well but some left very much to be desired. I would urge on my successor the advisability of securing in each District the best material to be had to fill these offices as on the Deputy depends, to a large extent, the success of the different lodges in his district.

I also appointed the following Committees:—

*Law and Supervision.*—Thos. Shortiss, of No. 1; W. L. Bemister, of No. 4; A. F. Oakley, of No. 6.

*Appeals and Grievances.*—S. A. Webb, of No. 10; Wm. Hill, of No. 22; S. J. Southcott, of No. 33.

*Finance.*—R. H. McConnell, of No. 12; J. L. Brown, of No. 3; H. E. Young, of No. 35.

*State of the Order.*—W. H. Robinson, of No. 15; F. F. C. Richardson, of No. 2; E. J. McRobert, of No. 37.

*Credentials and Returns.*—Geo. Hodder, of No. 5; G. C. Fowlie, of No. 28; W. S. Wooliver, of No. 9.

*Printing.*—Theo. Jorgenson, of No. 25; W. J. Cluff, of No. 18; W. A. Murrell, of No. 20.

#### EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

In accordance with resolutions passed last session, and found on pages 277 and 295 of Journal, 1893, I called the Executive Committee together at the City of Hamilton last September, and there put into effect the necessary legislation to place our order on proper footing with the Insurance Department of Ontario. The result of that meeting has been advised to all subordinate lodges and at this session of Grand Lodge you will be called on to ratify the action of the Executive Committee, which will be reported to you by the G. K. of R. S

## OFFICIAL CIRCULAR.

I embodied the suggestions made by our Supreme Chancellor, on his visit to us at last session, in a circular to all subordinate lodges, but with what result I have not yet learned as I have only had responses from one or two. I am fully impressed with the idea that if these suggestions were acted on the result would be a healthy and satisfactory growth of good quality in every lodge adopting them.

## MENISS LODGE.

I regret exceedingly to have to report the destruction by fire of the supplies and paraphernalia of Meniss Lodge, No. 19, of Chapleau, on the night of 22nd Jan'y. This was a serious blow to the members as they had only the previous evening got a new organ and had intended the following morning placing fire insurance on contents of lodge room. Under the circumstances the committee on supplies felt justified in forwarding the brethren of Meniss Lodge new supplies at cost price, which I trust Grand Lodge will ratify.

## DECISIONS.

A great many questions have been asked during my term requesting my opinion or ruling and in most cases they were very trivial, and of no particular importance. A great deal of work could be saved the Grand Chancellor if the brethren generally would attempt to interpret a little for themselves more than they do. I append hereto a few of the most important rulings given by me:—

1. By D. D. G. C., H. E. Young, of No. 5 District.—Would Windsor Lodge be justified in giving the S.A.P.W. on an order from Friendship Lodge, the latter lodge not being then in possession of the S.A.P.W.?

I replied that if a brother of Friendship Lodge presented a duly accredited order to Windsor Lodge the C.C. cannot refuse to give him the S.A.P.W. but he could not use it in his own lodge. I also stated to him that if this is done for any wrong purpose or that the members generally of another lodge are attempting to secure the S.A.P.W. in this way it would be his duty to advise the G.C. so that he might take some action.

I considered this an anomaly and that in this way the order on the back of receipt for dues could be abused, and wrote to the Supreme Chancellor regarding the matter. He advised me that he intends to bring it up before the Supreme Lodge at its next session and have the necessary legislation passed to prevent such abuse for all time to come.

2. By Friendship Lodge, No. 16, Windsor.—Would a brother who was suspended from that lodge, in the event of his being reinstated, be liable for dues during the term of his suspension?

I replied that he would not be liable.

3. By Damon Lodge, No. 6, Toronto.—Could it refuse to ballot for a candidate, or insist on medical re-examination for Knight rank, who had been ill after taking Esquire rank, but who had passed examination of physician before being accepted?

I replied that this might happen to any person and that unless it was considered by the membership that fraud had been practiced in passing former examination they should not compel re-examination by physician, but that if they were convinced of fraud they had the alternative of rejecting candidate for Knight rank by ballot.

4. By D. D. Hedenberg, of No. 2 District.—Is a suspended member who has been reinstated, but after such reinstatement has not affixed his name to the roll, entitled to sick benefits?

I replied that having been reinstated, and if in good standing at the time of being taken ill, he is entitled to sick benefits.

5. By Bro. Beeton, C. C. Damon Lodge, No. 6, Toronto.—Could he refuse the S.A.P.W. to a member of his lodge who held receipt from Master of Finance for his dues for current term, but who was indebted to the lodge at the time for certain moneys remaining in his hands, as member of some entertainment committee?

I replied that as on the date the brother applied for the S.A.P.W. he had paid his dues for current term, and held official receipt from M. of F. therefor, and there being no dues, fines or assessments standing against him, and no charges made or pending, he was entitled to the word and it was the duty of the C.C. to give it to him,

These are a few of the most important rulings given by me during recess.

#### BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS APPROVED.

I have referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision by-laws of the following lodges, viz.: Petrolia, Galt, Windsor, Meniss, Calanthe, Red Cross, Friendship and Syracuse for examination, and upon their recommendation have approved the same, and would suggest the desirability of all lodges, that have not already done so, having their by-laws amended and approved at once, so as to be in accordance with the recent legislative enactments.

#### DISPENSATIONS.

During recess I have granted the following dispensations:—

1. Ivanhoe Lodge, to change night of meeting from second Saturday to second Wednesday in each month.
2. To Mystic, to change from weekly meeting to 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.



3. To Watertown Lodge, Watertown, New York, to confer the ranks on T. J. Gallagher, of Kingston.
4. To Ivanhoe, to meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays instead of monthly.
5. To Mizpah, to move to new hall.
6. To Aurora, to meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, instead of weekly.
7. To Algoma, to meet 1st and 3rd Mondays in the month and to discontinue meeting during July and August.
8. To Damon, to meet in Pythian Hall, corner Queen and Victoria Sts., 1st and 3rd Tuesdays.
9. To Syracuse, to meet 2nd and 4th Wednesdays.
10. To J. H. Dobson, Grand Chancellor of Manitoba, to institute lodge at Rat Portage.
11. To Prospect, to meet every other Monday instead of every Monday.
12. To Mystic, to admit, by card, a member aged 53 years.

#### NEW LODGES.

Although I have made very strong and determined efforts to secure new lodges in the jurisdiction during the recess of Grand Lodge, I regret that I can only report two, but I am fully convinced that my successor will be able to complete the work begun by me in a great many places, notably, Woodstock, Peterborough, Kingston and Brockville.

New lodges were instituted as follows:—

Philos, No. 41, Toronto, by D. D. G. C. Bro. Jorgenson, on July 20th, with a large charter list and, I am pleased to say, the prospects for a good lodge are very bright. Something remarkably in their favor, and from which older lodges might take pattern, is the fact that the officers had memorized the ritual one week after institution.

Hamlet, No. 42, Stratford, instituted August 16th, with a charter list of about 25, composed of some of the best citizens of Stratford. This ought to be a good lodge and I have no doubt will ere long give a good account of itself.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That in view of the fact that the remuneration that has been paid the G. K. of R. & S. in the past for his services has been inadequate compensation for the arduous duties entailed by that office, and as the number of lodges and membership is extending, that for the future the G. K. of R. and S. be paid a salary of \$200 per annum.



2. That it is necessary to properly promulgate the uses and beauties of our order where the Pythian Standard has not been already unfurled, and for this purpose your future Grand Chancellor or a regularly appointed officer be paid a salary for the purpose of organizing new lodges.

3. That the in-coming Grand Chancellor or his representative visit Wingham and Oil Springs, and endeavour to have Sicily and Oil Springs lodges resuscitated as at present they are in a dormant condition, and if necessary and there is a good prospect of infusing new vigor into the brethren that he spend some days in each place.

#### POSTPONEMENT OF GRAND LODGE SESSION.

Because of the fact that I found it impossible to secure from the Transportation Companies running to Port Arthur a satisfactory low rate from all points in Ontario to that point, and on account of the expense of taking representatives from all lodges in the jurisdiction, and that the cost of doing so would more than exhaust the finances under the control of Grand Lodge and leave us with a large deficit to face, I concluded that it was in the interest of the order generally that this session of Grand Lodge should not be held at Port Arthur this year. I accordingly requested all subordinate lodges not to send representatives there but decided upon putting in an appearance myself upon the date when Grand Lodge should have met, which I did, and there being no quorum present I decided to call the Grand Lodge to meet at Windsor, at 9 a. m. on August 21st, for this session.

#### OFFICIAL VISITS.

It was my intention when accepting the position of Grand Chancellor to visit every lodge in the jurisdiction and with one or two exceptions I have done so, and would have got to every lodge without a single exception had it not been for circumstances which were beyond my control. I was unable to get to Sarnia and Petrolia and therefore requested the Grand Vice Chancellor to visit these lodges for me; the one remaining lodge that I was unable to visit was Sicily, No. 32 and on the date I had appointed to go to Wingham and visit that lodge Brother Fleuty K. of R. and S. advised me there was no use in going then as they would not be able to get a quorum together to meet me. I had fully intended going later but was unavoidably prevented.

December 4th, 1893.—I visited Hamilton and had the pleasure of meeting Red Cross No. 3, and Bismarck No. 31, in combined meeting. After a short address to the brethren present, which was very acceptably received, I had the pleasure of witnessing the long form of the Knight Rank conferred by a team of the brethren of Red Cross. Upon their very creditable work I wish to compliment them, and it is well worthy of imitation by all lodges in the juris-

diction. After the lodge work was completed we adjourned to dining parlors near by and I spent a pleasant hour or two in feasting with the Hamilton brethren.

January 17th, 1894.—I visited Windsor and met, in combined meeting, in their castle hall, Friendship, No. 16, and Windsor, No. 35, and after installing the officers of both lodges and addressing the members present on the state of the order, an adjournment was made to the Manning House where a banquet had been prepared in honor of your Grand Chancellor, to which the brethren had invited some of the citizens of Windsor. We did ample justice to the viands prepared by Bro. Appleton, assisted by Bro. D.D.G.C. Young, after which I had the honor of presenting to the brethren and their friends present a slight exposition on our order.

January 22nd, 1894.—I visited London and met the members in union meeting in Prospect Hall, the following lodges being fully represented, viz.: Myrtle, No. 2; Prospect, No. 10; Mizpah, No. 22, and Columbian, No. 37. We spent a very enjoyable evening, one of the most pleasing events of which was the request made to me on behalf of the membership of Prospect Lodge to present to their retiring C. C., Bro. McWhinney, a P. C. jewel. After the meeting I was entertained at supper in a very pleasant manner.

January 23rd, 1894.—I visited Rathbone, No. 12, where I had the pleasure of installing new officers, and after close of business a repast was served in the lodge room and I spent a very enjoyable two hours with as fine a lot of gentlemen as one might wish to meet. This is a good lodge, well up in the ritualistic work and a credit to the order.

January 24th, 1894.—I visited Calanthe, No. 36, Brantford, and witnessed the conferring, by the new officers, of the rank of Page. For a young lodge with new officers the work was well done, and this in time will make a strong lodge. I found them suffering for want of instruction, not having been previously visited by a Grand Chancellor since institution, and gave them instruction in the rank work, from which, by the attention paid to me, I am sure they will benefit. After the meeting I was loyally and hospitably entertained at a dinner given by the lodge.

January 25th, 1894.—I visited Galt, No. 38, and found this lodge also suffering from the same difficulty as Calanthe, not having been visited or had any instruction in the rank work since institution. I had the pleasure of installing the new officers and, after a short address to the members present, used up the time of the meeting in giving them an exposition of the secret work of the different ranks after which we adjourned to the ante-room and spent a pleasant hour together.

January 26th, 1894.—I visited Perseverance, No. 23, St. Catherines, and found this lodge considerably backward with reports and very much opposed

to the enactments of the Executive Committee, particularly the graded scale of dues. I spent over two hours explaining this matter to them, in which I was ably assisted by P. C. Bro. Leubsdorf, and before leaving the lodge room was favorably impressed that nearly all of them were convinced that the action taken by the Executive Committee was in the interest of the order, and they promised to have their reports completed and forwarded at once, but they failed to do so. After the meeting I was pleasantly entertained by the brethren at an informal banquet.

February 20th, 1894.—I visited Toronto and met Mystic, No. 1; Ivanhoe, No. 4; Damon, No. 6; Queen City, No. 18; Amicus, No. 20; Ontario, No. 25; Toronto, No. 30, and Syracuse, No. 39, in a combined meeting in Amicus lodge room. I was very enthusiastically received by the very large number of Toronto brethren present and welcomed, on their behalf, in an address by Bro. Dr. King in his usual pleasing manner. I then addressed the brethren on the state of the order generally, after which I was presented with an address of welcome by the R. C.'s Association of Toronto District, and to which I replied. After the business programme was completed I was loyally entertained by the brethren in one of their far-famed smoking concerts.

March 22nd, 1894.—I visited Rokeby, No. 9, and was able to assist the brethren in completing their reports on the new form, with which they had some trouble on account of errors in books made by former officers. I delivered a short address to the lodge and was loyally and hospitably welcomed by them.

April 2nd, 1894.—Visited Marmion, and as your chief executive was loyally entertained.

May 16th, 1894.—Being in Toronto on my way east to Brockville and Smith's Falls, and it being the regular meeting night of Damon Lodge, I had the pleasure of again meeting the members of this lodge.

May 17th, 1894.—I visited Dufferin Lodge, No. 28, and was loyally welcomed and entertained by the brethren of Smith's Falls.

July 8th, 1894.—On my way to Port Arthur I met my Deputy, Bro. E. Biggings, at the "Soo," and learned that Algoma, No. 11, and Olive, No. 14, were both doing well. I expected to meet a number of the "Soo" brethren at the dock but the boat being rather early they failed to appear.

July 10th, 1894.—I visited Port Arthur, where this grand body was to have met at this date, and there being no quorum present I decided to change the date and place of meeting as already reported. Visited Crusader Lodge same evening and was warmly and enthusiastically welcomed by the members of that lodge.

July 11th, 1894.—I visited Aurora, No. 13, and spent a very pleasant evening with the brethren of Fort William.

During my visit to Port Arthur and Fort William I was royally welcomed not only by the brethren but by the citizens of both places, who were very much disappointed at the necessity which compelled the changing of the meeting of our Grand Lodge from the north shore of Lake Superior to the shores of the Detroit River, and they are so anxious to have the meeting there at some future time, and so often assured me of the welcome to be accorded the brethren when they do come, that I consider it the duty of this Grand Lodge, when they can secure satisfactory rates from transportation companies, and the finances of the Grand Lodge will warrant, to hold its session there. As your representative I was shown all the points of interest in and around Port Arthur and Fort William and can truthfully say it would be one of the most pleasant places in Ontario to hold our annual session.

#### ENDOWMENT RANK.

I regret to say that this feature of our order is not meeting with the support in this jurisdiction which it merits, on account of the excellent features it offers to members of the Knights of Pythias for life insurance, and I hope that representatives of every lodge present will post themselves as to these advantages and see that the members of their own lodges are also thoroughly informed on the subject so as to enable them if they wish insurance to take advantage of it. At present there are seven sections in this jurisdiction with 93 members carrying an insurance of \$170,000, divided as follows; Toronto, 33 members, amount of endowment, \$58,000; Windsor, 9 members, amount of endowment, \$20,000; Sault Ste. Marie, 8 members, amount of endowment, \$13,000; Hamilton, 23 members, amount of endowment, \$43,000; London, 12 members, amount of endowment, \$21,000; Chatham, 5 members, amount of endowment, \$10,000; Petrolia, 3 members, amount of endowment, \$5,000. Since March, 1893, there has been an increase of six in the membership in this jurisdiction and in the amount of endowment \$10,000, and since organization of the endowment rank there has been paid out in death benefits in this Grand Jurisdiction, \$19,000.

I hope the next report of the endowment rank will show a much larger increase and that the members in the jurisdiction will take the trouble to enquire into its standing and cost because if they do I feel confident of a large increase.

#### CONCLUSION.

Before concluding my report I wish to testify to the efficacy of the work done by your Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and to congratulate him on the able manner in which he has filled his present office for the past 21 years, which is creditable alike to himself and to this Grand Lodge.

In surrendering to you the important trust you placed in my hands at Petrolia last session, I do so feeling that your choice might have fallen on one

of your members more worthy of your confidence and one more capable of ably representing you as your chief executive. I have endeavored to rule this jurisdiction during recess with justice and impartiality to all, and trust that if any of my rulings have been considered harsh you will understand I have followed the law in every respect as near as I could interpret it, and been actuated only by what I considered my duty. In conclusion, I may say, my relations with the membership has been most pleasant and harmonious and I sincerely hope my successor will have as pleasurable control of this jurisdiction.

Wishing all a fraternal greeting,

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and B.,

W. E. RISPEN,

*Grand Chancellor.*

CHATHAM, August 21st, 1894.

#### REPORTS OF DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.

W. E. RISPEN, ESQ., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—Please find enclosed reports, which I hope will meet with favor from yourself and Grand Lodge. I have answered every question according to the best of my knowledge and belief. Taking everything into consideration the lodges of No. 1 District are in a good healthy condition and a very desirable rivalry is existing between all the lodges. Philos Lodge, which I instituted July 20th, I believe is going to prove a valuable addition to our ranks. I have attended 109 lodge meetings during my term and have felt more encouraged after each visit. If I may be permitted to do so I would recommend, or suggest, that the Grand Lodge set aside a reasonable sum for the advancement of our order, either by appointment or through the incoming Grand Chancellor, as no allowance whatever is made for organizing or resurrecting a defunct lodge and it is almost impossible to do anything in that direction. I trust my successor may be more successful than I have been in my humble way, and wishing the order every success.

P. C. A. B. Armstrong, of Amicus Lodge, No. 20, received the nomination of Toronto Past Chancellor's for the office of District Deputy for the ensuing term.

Fraternally submitted,

THEO. JORGENSEN,

*D. D. G. C. of District No. 1.*

Toronto, Aug. 11th, 1894.

W. E. RISPEN, ESQ., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—I regret exceedingly my inability to give you a more extended report of the two lodges located in the district over which you placed me, but on account of my business connections I was compelled to move to Peterboro last April and since that time I have only kept myself posted through correspondence. I will state that during my residence in Hamilton I made it a point to attend Red Cross every meeting and an occasional visit was paid to Bismarck. The officers and members of Red Cross have always taken a great interest in their lodge and show very fair improvement, not only in membership but in the new work as well. During the past year they have initiated 9 new members, reinstated 3 and admitted by card 1, making a total of 13 names added to their membership, and have conferred 29 ranks. I regret exceedingly that I am unable to write so favorably of Bismarck and it is difficult how to suggest a remedy to overcome the lack of interest by their members. Probably the new D.D. will adopt some course by which the lodge will be benefited as I know P.C. Bro. Burns to be a most energetic worker in Pythian interests, and it affords me great pleasure in endorsing the nomination made by our Hamilton P.C.'s. and I have every reason to believe that the coming year will show a most marked improvement of work done by the Hamilton lodges, as Bro. Burns, judging from my acquaintance with him, will not leave a stone unturned in order to accomplish that end. Wishing Pythianism every success, I remain,

Yours in F. C. and B.,

J. V. HEDENBERG,

Hamilton, Aug. 11th, 1894.

*D.D.G.C., District No. 2.*

W. E. RISPEN, ESQ., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—In compliance with your request I am pleased to report very favorably as to the state of the order in this district. Myrtle, No. 2, the oldest lodge in the city has taken a new lease of life and has added strength to the order by a lot of good young members and is still keeping up the good work. Mizpah, No. 22, and Prospect, No. 10, are still fighting for supremacy, with a membership of about 75 each, and they are both doing well. Mizpah has rented and furnished a suite of lodge rooms on the corner of Dundas and Richmond Sts., which are second to none in point of convenience and homelike appearance. London, No. 33, is progressing, and although not growing very fast the material is right and the growth is steady. Columbian, No. 37, is going ahead beyond expectation, but am sorry the officers are not as regular in attendance as they should be but they are getting the support and



assistance, when necessary, of the brothers of the other lodges. I convened a meeting of Past Chancellors, and about 18 of them responded, for the purpose of electing my successor and the unanimous choice honored Bro. Robert Cadwallader, and I feel sure he will fill the position with credit to the district. Hoping to have the pleasure of meeting you at Grand Lodge, I remain,

Yours fraternally,

S. J. SOUTHCOTT,

*D.D.G.C., District No. 3.*

W. E. RISPEN, ESQ., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—The time has come to make my annual report to you of the state of the order in this section of your Grand Jurisdiction, and it affords me very much pleasure to state that in the midst of such great industrial and political disturbance Pythianism holds its own in Algoma East. I made two official trips to Olive Lodge, No. 14, at Bruce Mines, and on my last visit I had the satisfaction of seeing the threatened breach in their ranks closed up and harmony restored. This is more fully assured by the subsequent action of the lodge in the selection of Past Chancellor Bro. John Knight as District Deputy Grand Chancellor for the ensuing year, an excellent choice, which I hope will be carried out and continued many years. They are a loyal set of Knights and the Olive branch blossoms among them with perennial bloom, and I hope for its long continuance.

Algoma Lodge, No. 11, is doing fully as well as can be expected in presence of a *full set of new benefit orders*, viz.: the Foresters, Oddfellows, and Templars—two lodges of the first and last named—Catholic and Protestant; added to which we enjoy the distinctive disadvantage of being senior of them all. For, you know, the adage is as strong now as of yore for “some new thing.” The official returns will give you minute particulars of our numerical and financial standing and all other points of interest.

I have the honor of again being chosen as D.D.G.C. for the ensuing year, an office which I vainly strove to induce others of our P.C.'s. to accept. I can only hope that the choice may add to the general prosperity of Pythianism, and of Algoma Lodge in particular. Wishing for our Grand Jurisdiction a prosperous year,

Yours faithfully, in F. C. and B.,

EDWARD BIGGINGS,

*D.D.G.C., District No. 6.*

Sault Ste. Marie, June 12th, 1894.

W. E. RISPEN, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—As the time is drawing near for the meeting of the Grand Lodge I thought I would send in my report as to the progress of the order in this district. I am very sorry to say that this has not been a very bright year, the depression in trade, which has spread all over America, has at last found its way up to this part of the country, and I may say has materially affected business, as money has been very scarce and no doubt injures the advancement of societies such as ours. This is the principal reason that our lodges here have not gained in number as they should. I visited Aurora Lodge, No. 13, a great many times during the year, as Fort William is only 3 miles away, and as we have connection by electric railway, it is no trouble for me to go often to their meetings, in fact the members of Crusader and Aurora do a great deal of visiting and thereby do each other a great deal of good. Crusader Lodge, No. 5, has not gained many new members this year but is getting along nicely, and is in a sound financial condition. I can assure you that both lodges appreciated your official visit and hope that you and your family enjoyed your trip to the silver gateway. We were disappointed that you in your wisdom was forced to change the meeting of the Grand Lodge to Windsor, but knowing that the expense of the meeting here would throw the Grand Lodge into debt again we were willing to waive our claim to some future date when the Grand Lodge will be in better financial condition and when the steamboat lines running to Port Arthur are more anxious to do business. I do not expect that I will be able to come to the meeting at Windsor this year but wish you all, who are there, God speed in this noble work.

The Past Chancellors of this district have nominated Bro. R. Revelley, of Fort William, as D.D.G.C. for the ensuing year.

Yours, in F. C. and B.,

GEO. HODDER,

Port Arthur, Aug. 2nd, 1894.

*D.D.G.C., District No. 7.*

W. E. RISPEN, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—As D.D.G.C. for Elgin County, I have the honor to report that I have visited Rathbone Lodge, No. 12, several times during the year and it is very pleasing to me to say for this lodge that the officers and members are working together in harmony and doing all they can to increase the membership, but in doing this they are very cautious in their choice of new members. The officers are regular in attendance and exert themselves to

exemplify the work in a manner that reflects credit on themselves and their lodge. Financially the lodge is A1. It is with feelings of gratitude that I can report no deaths and only six dollars paid out for sick benefits for the year.

Bro. R. H. McConnell has been chosen for the office of D.D.G.C. for the ensuing term.

Yours respectfully,

J. STACEY,

St. Thomas, Aug. 13th, 1894.

*D.D.G.C., District No. 8.*

W. E. RISPEN, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—Although there is considerable interest taken in the order yet it is difficult to gather in candidates. The financial depression, no doubt, has much to do with obtaining new members and holding the old ones. We, however, hope for a revival in business and a consequent accession of new members to our ranks as well as a return of many who, through neglect or necessity, dropped out. Hope to see you at Grand Lodge, and that the meeting in Windsor may be pleasant to the members and profitable to the order.

Fraternally,

R. A. BENNETT,

*D.D.G.C., District No. 12.*

Smith's Falls, Ont., Aug. 7th, 1894.

W. E. RISPEN, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—I herewith beg to make my official report in compliance with the requirements of the order. As you are aware we have only one lodge in this district. I was in hopes last fall of being able to report a new lodge at Sudbury but owing to the depression all along the C.P.R. I am unable to do so at present, but I think the time not far distant when we will have one at North Bay and Sudbury also. As you are aware the lodge in this town, Meniss, No. 19, was destroyed by fire last winter with all its contents. The members had just placed a new organ in their hall but unfortunately had not insured, and the consequence was we lost all. I beg to say that they now have a better outfit than before and a fair increase in membership, and the finances are in a solid condition. On the 18th of February last, the members celebrated the anniversary of the order by a church service, and a dinner

on the 19th, which was the correct date. On the whole I think the order is in a flourishing condition in this district. At a meeting of the P.C's. it was decided to recommend P.C., A. Gillie, of Meniss Lodge, No. 19, for the office of D.D.G.C., for this district, for the ensuing term.

Yours in F. C. and B.,

S. HICES,

Chapleau, June 11th, 1894.

*D.D.G.C., District No. 17.*

W. E. KIRPEN, Esq., *Grand Chancellor of Ontario.*

Dear Sir and Bro.,—In compliance with your request would say that Galt Lodge has a small membership, but taking all things into consideration it is better than no lodge at all. Some of the members take an interest in it and they are looking forward to good work this term as we have the promise of some good names. It is hard to get an attendance these hot nights but we are hoping for better meetings when the nights are cooler.

Fraternally submitted,

A. F. ROBB,

Galt, Aug. 9th, 1894.

*D.D.G.C. District No. 20.*

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LODGE INSPECTION BY DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

Lodge No.	Do officers commit work to memory?	How is the work rendered?	Are the officers regular in attendance?	Do members exhibit interest in lodge?	What is the average attendance?	Are any members in Endowment Rank?	Can you state how many?	What amount of fire insurance?	State number of Rituals by actual count?	Are Rituals and secret work properly secured?	Is paraphernalia in good order?	Are the books of officers well kept?	How does lodge stand as compared with other societies in your locality?	How often have you officially visited lodge?
1	No	Fair	Not Very	Fair	15	Yes	No	Don't know	5	Yes	Fair	Yes	Good	2
2	No	Fair	Yes	Yes	15	Yes	No	\$400	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
3	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes	30	Yes	1	.....	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
4	No	Poor	Yes	Fair	12	Yes	No	None	5	Yes	Fair	Yes	Fair	3
5	No	Fair	Yes	Fair	13	No	.....	\$500	5	Yes	Yes	Fair	Good	15
6	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes	20	Yes	No	Don't know	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	4
9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10	No	Fair	Yes	Yes	12	Yes	6	\$1000	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
11	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12	Mostly	Fair	Yes	Yes	20	No	1	None	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
13	No	Fair	Yes	Yes	18	No	.....	None	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	High	1
14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	Yes	Fair	Yes	Good	10
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18	No	Poor	Fair	Fair	15	Yes	No	None	5	Yes	Fair	Fair	Good	3
19	Yes	Fair	Yes	Yes	12	No	.....	\$500	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	2
20	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes	20	Yes	No	\$250	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	2
22	Partly	Fair	Yes	Yes	15	Yes	3	\$650	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
25	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes	12	Yes	No	None	5	Yes	Fair	Yes	Good	2
28	No	Fair	No	Fair	8	No	.....	None	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	1
30	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes	20	Yes	No	Don't know	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	2
31	No	Well	Fair	Yes	20	No	.....	None	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair	3
32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
33	Partly	Fair	Yes	Yes	12	Yes	1	\$150	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
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36	Mostly	Fair	Fair	Yes	15	No	.....	\$150	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair	2
37	No	Fair	Fair	Yes	10	No	.....	None	5	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good	3
38	Yes	Fair	Yes	Fair	1/3	Yes	1	None	3	No	Yes	Yes	Good	1
39	No	Fair	Yes	Fair	10	No	No	None	5	Yes	Yes	Fair	Fair	3
40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
41	Yes	Good	Yes	Yes	12	Yes	No	None	5	Yes	Fair	Yes	Good	1

Where blanks appear the D.D.G.C. has not sent the required details.

## REPORT OF GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL,  
GRAND LODGE K. OF P. OF ONTARIO,

TORONTO, August 21st, 1894.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :*

My twenty-first annual report, and the twenty-second for the Grand Lodge of Ontario, is herewith submitted for your consideration.

## STATE OF THE ORDER.

As is well known the past year has been one of severe financial depression throughout the whole country and to a greater or less extent Ontario has felt the effects. With business comparatively at a stand still and a financial stringency only too apparent it could not be but expected that fraternal organizations would fail to make the same progress as they would during brighter and better times. In common with other societies we have had to contend with these obstacles and consequently our growth since your last session has not been as great as could be desired. We have, however, added two new lodges to the roll and the old ones have somewhat increased in membership.

The two new lodges are Philos, No. 41, instituted at Toronto, July 20th, and Hamlet, No. 42, instituted at Stratford on the 16th inst.

Owing to the new law requiring lodges to divide their funds into a General and a Benefit fund, and to deposit each as a separate account in a chartered bank, the same to come into effect with the beginning of this year, there has been a slight decrease in the amount on hand as compared with last year. The reason of this has been that some lodges had made loans to members simply on the security of their personal note, and as this could not be reported as actual cash, or an authorized investment, it had to be held in abeyance. This order of things has now been effectually stopped and the funds of lodges, especially the Benefit fund, will, for the future, show a steady increase.

From reports and information received from lodges I am pleased to state that there seems to be a revival all along the line and the returns for this year will, from present appearances, greatly compensate for the depression of the past year.

In the matter of new lodges I believe our roll will receive quite an increase. I have been in correspondence with a number of gentlemen residing at various points east of Toronto, such as Napanee, Peterborough, Brockville, Belleville and Kingston, and in each case they anticipate the institution of lodges during the coming fall.



In January last Meniss Lodge, No. 19, Chapeleau, had the misfortune to be burned out and lost its entire outfit. This did not, however, discourage the members, but on the contrary seemed to infuse new life and vigour into them. They immediately ordered a new set of supplies and paraphernalia and their report shows a material increase. Unfortunately they had no insurance as the fire occurred the day after they had instructed the trustees to take out a policy, and to make matters worse, they lost a new organ which had been presented to them the previous evening. There is a lesson in this that all lodges, if not already insured, should profit by. On consultation with the Grand Chancellor it was decided to let the lodge have the requisite supplies at cost, which action I trust you will approve.

#### RENEWAL OF REGISTRY AND INCORPORATION.

Since our last session our registration has been twice renewed and is now in force until July of next year. In compliance with the instructions of the Executive Committee I applied for and obtained the incorporation of the Grand Lodge and have also forwarded the necessary papers of fifteen lodges for their incorporation. I have in hand the papers of one other lodge and the balance have not as yet made returns. With a few the delay has been on account of revising their by-laws but with others I do not know of any reason for their non-compliance.

I have further followed the instructions of the Executive by having had two thousand copies of the Constitution printed, of which about fifteen hundred have been applied for.

#### SEMI-ANNUAL RETURNS.

The annual report now to be made to the Registrar of Friendly Societies necessitated the preparation of a new form of report blanks and the changes made by the Executive Committee allowed me to print only sufficient for last year. This new departure seemed to cause considerable difficulty to the various lodges and almost every report sent in had to be returned for correction. This caused a greatly increased amount of correspondence and consequent delay, but from the appearance of the reports, so far received, for the first term of this year, I think the trouble has ceased, and that in future any delay will be owing entirely to a lodge having a dilatory or negligent Keeper of Records and Seal. The reports now to be used are so prepared that everything must balance and there will, in future, be no excuse for an incorrect report being sent out. This year I omit publishing the date of receipt, as under the circumstances, I think the lodges were entitled to some extra latitude, especially in view of the fact that a full years report had to be made. I regret to have to state that Nos. 23, of St. Catharines, 32 of Wingham and 34, of Oil Springs have, as yet, failed to make returns.

## SUPREME LODGE SESSION.

One week from to-day the Supreme Lodge will convene in bi-ennial session in the City of Washington, and there will be two subjects come before that body on which I think this Grand Lodge should give an expression of opinion. These are as follows:

*The New Ritual.*—As you are all well aware on the adoption of this work at the last session the question of its translation into foreign languages arose and the Supreme Lodge decided that it should only be printed in English. At the coming session an attempt will in all probability be made to reverse that decision, and in my humble judgment our representatives should be instructed to vote against it. I hold that the ritual of the Order should be printed only in the language of the country where the order is located for use in that country, and when it is introduced into foreign lands then, and not till then, will be the time to translate it. Foreigners coming here to earn their living should be compelled to learn our language and conform to our customs, and until they do so it is impossible for them to be as good Pythians as if there was only one common ground for all to meet upon. I sincerely hope that in the interests of all concerned that the Supreme Lodge will reaffirm its former decision and that this Grand Lodge will help it to do so.

*Supplies.*—The cost to Grand Lodges of the Supplies furnished by Supreme Lodge is a question which to a greater or less extent effects every individual member. The interests of the order demand that certain supplies should only be issued by the Supreme Lodge. These should comprise everything appertaining to the general work where uniformity is essential, but nothing else. Rituals, jewels withdrawal cards, official receipts, membership certificates, etc., are properly within the province of the Supreme Lodge to supply, ~~but the books and stationery to be used by a lodge for the transactions of its ordinary work does not come within that category.~~ It is however not what the Supreme Lodge should supply but to the quality, style and cost of what it does supply, that I desire to draw your attention and endeavour to have a material improvement and reduction made. When the cost of the supplies furnished is compared with the style and quality of the goods but one conclusion can be arrived at, viz: a very poor quality at a very high price. The charge for rituals should warrant a book that would last a lifetime, but instead we get one so miserably bound that it falls to pieces within a very short period. The membership charts instead of being small and neat are the size of a charter plate. In the matter of jewels great dissatisfaction is manifested, and the cost in the case of many lodges is such that they cannot comply with the law requiring the discontinuance of the knight's collar. When from the reports of the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal it is seen that during the last five years a profit has been made on supplies amounting to over \$130,000, and a reported balance of over \$50,000 on hand,

it can, I think, very fairly be claimed that the time has arrived when subordinate lodges are entitled to some consideration, and that in future a better quality be furnished at a very material decrease in cost.

## FINANCES OF THE GRAND LODGE.

Balance in hands of G. M. of E., May 31st, 1893.....	\$ 360 10
Received from all sources during the year.....	2270 79
Total.....	\$2630 89
Expenditure for all purposes .....	1397 43
Balance in hands of G. M. of E., July 31st, 1894.....	\$1233 46

## DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE.

Expenses of Officers attending last session.....	\$ 103 96
Expenses of Grand Chancellor Fitzgerald.....	53 15
Expenses Instituting Lodges.....	35 85
G. K. of R. and S., Salary.....	125 00
Supreme Lodge, Representative tax and supplies.....	362 38
Printing Journal of Proceedings.....	162 00
Sundry Printing and Stationery.....	109 25
Rent of Grand Lodge Store-room.....	70 00
Executive Committee.....	35 78
Supplies.....	104 55
Express and Duty.....	77 26
Sundry Expenses, Postage, etc.....	83 30
Travelling Expenses, District Deputies.....	8 95
Incorporation of G. L. and 15 Sub. Lodges.....	16 00
Registration, Renewal, two years.....	50 00
Total.....	\$1397 43

My vouchers for these will show the transactions.

Accompanying this report are statements showing the totals of the debit and credit sides of all accounts in the ledger, and the balances July 31st, 1894; the profit and loss thereon, and also our assets and liabilities, together with detailed and tabulated statements of the membership and finances of the subordinate lodges. These statements will be found in the appendix.

Fraternally submitted,

*Geo. H. Mitchell*

Grant Keeper of Records and Seal.

## REPORT OF THE GRAND MASTER OF EXCHEQUER.

HAMILTON, August 21st, 1894.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge :*

I herewith submit for your consideration the report of this office for the fiscal term ending July 31st, 1894.

Fraternally submitted,

D. J. PEACE,

*Grand Master of Exchequer.*

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

## RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.	
1893.					
June 1—	Balance brought forward.....				\$ 360 10
" 8—	Amicus.....	20		4 00	
" 10—	Windsor.....	35		4 00	
" 13—	Algoma.....	11		4 00	
" 13—	London.....	33		4 00	
" 13—	Calanthe.....	36		4 00	
" 13—	Columbian.....	37		4 00	
" 13—	Meniss.....	19		5 00	
" 13—	B. J. Leubsdorf.....			1 25	
" 13—	G. E. Van Tuyl.....			2 50	
" 13—	London.....	33		5 00	
" 13—	J. Graham.....			1 25	
" 16—	Perseverance.....	23		2 00	
" 30—	Toronto.....	30	32 50		
July 1—	Myrtle.....	2	21 50		
" 1—	Mizpah.....	22	36 50		
" 7—	Queen City.....	18	32 70		
" 11—	Red Cross.....	3	99 40		
" 13—	Rathbone.....	12	26 00		
" 14—	Galt.....	38	10 50		
" 15—	Algoma.....	11	27 00		
" 15—	Ivanhoe.....	4	23 00		
	Carried forward.....		\$309 10	\$41 00	\$360 10

GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.  
RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.
1893.	Brought forward.....		\$309 10	\$41 00 \$360 10
July 15—	Columbian .....	37	9 00	
" 15—	Ontario .....	25	13 50	
" 17—	Damon .....	6	43 00	
" 17—	Mystic .....	1	47 50	
" 20—	Amicus .....	20	17 50	
" 21—	London .....	33	15 00	
" 25—	Marmion .....	15	16 50	
" 28—	Toronto .....	30		1 00
" 31—	Calanthe .....	36	15 50	
" 1—	Windsor.....	35	17 00	
" 8—	Prospect .....	10	38 00	
" 9—	Meniss.....	19	21 50	
" 9—	Bismarck.....	31	18 50	
" 12—	Damon.....	6		4 50
Aug. 15—	Amicus.....	20		14 50
" 16—	Friendship.....	16	27 50	
" 18—	Ivanhoe.....	4		1 00
" 19—	Aurora.....	13		1 00
" 25—	Mizpah.....	22		3 75
Sept. 4—	Mizpah.....	22		6 00
" 5—	Rokeby.....	9	37 00	
" 6—	Johnston.....	40	9 00	
" 12—	Meniss.....	19		1 00
" 21—	Prospect.....	10		1 75
" 22—	Galt.....	38		0 50
" 29—	Syracuse.....	39	8 50	
Oct. 11—	Queen City.....	18		0 75
" 11—	Petrolia.....	17	27 00	
Nov. 10—	Petrolia.....	17		1 00
Dec. 4—	Perseverance.....	23	10 00	
" 11—	Ontario.....	25		13 00
" 29—	Rokeby.....	9		5 00
1894.				
Jan. 2—	Mizpah.....	32	38 00	
" 4—	Galt.....	38	12 50	
" 5—	Mystic.....	1	37 00	
" 5—	Algoma.....	11	26 00	
	Carried forward.....		\$814 10	\$95 75 \$360 10

## D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

## RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No.	Capita Tax.	Supplies.
1894.	Brought forward.....		\$814 10	\$95 75 \$360 10
Jan. 5	Meniss.....	19	25 00	
" 8	Damon.....	6	32 00	
" 8	Friendship.....	16	27 00	
" 10	Red Cross.....	3	43 00	
" 10	Myrtle.....	2	22 00	
" 10	Ontario.....	25	14 00	0 50
" 11	Bismarck.....	31	17 50	
" 12	Amicus.....	20	23 50	
" 12	Windsor.....	35	19 00	
" 13	Columbian.....	37	9 50	
" 17	Petrolia.....	17	22 00	
" 17	Prospect.....	10	36 00	
" 19	London.....	33	13 50	
" 19	Calanthe.....	26	17 50	
" 19	Rathbone.....	12	29 50	2 50
" 22	Ivanhoe.....	4		0 50
" 24	Friendship.....	16		9 00
" 25	Calanthe.....	26		3 00
Feb. 1	Friendseip.....	16		1 50
" 5	Windsor.....	35		1 00
" 6	Ivanhoe.....	4		1 00
" 8	Myrtle.....	2		1 25
" 9	Petrolia.....	17		6 00
" 10	Damon.....	6		3 00
" 10	Ivanhoe.....	4	22 50	
" 10	Queen City.....	18	29 00	
" 12	Toronto.....	30	37 50	
" 16	Calanthe.....	36	1 50	0 75
" 19	Crusader.....	5	38 00	
" 19	Mizpah.....	22		5 25
" 20	Dufferin.....	28	29 00	
" 23	V. H. Chantler.....			5 00
" 28	London.....	33		1 75
Mar. 1	Prospect.....	10		0 75
" 1	Aurora.....	13	49 00	
" 6	Johnston.....	40	10 50	
" 12	Queen City.....	18		1 00
	Carried forward.....		\$1382 10	\$139 50 \$360 10



D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E., IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.  
RECEIPTS.

DATE.	NAME OF LODGE.	No	Cap. Tax.	Supplies.
1894.	Brought forward.....		\$1382 10	\$139 50 \$360 10
Mar. 12—	S. Fullerton.....			2 00
" 12—	Red Cross.....	3		12 00
" 20—	Marmion.....	15	17 50	
" 22—	Toronto.....	30		10 50
" 26—	Bismarck.....	31		6 00
Apr. 6—	Marmion.....	15		3 75
" 10—	Petrolia.....	17		1 00
" 10—	Perseverance.....	23		0 75
" 12—	Myrtle.....	2		2 75
" 26—	Mystic.....	1		1 00
May 7—	Rathbone.....	12		2 25
" 12—	Dufferin.....	28		1 50
" 16—	Toronto.....	30		0 75
" 18—	Friendship.....	16		2 50
" 18—	Petrolia.....	17		2 00
" 18—	Toronto.....	30		19 50
June 13—	Philos.....	41		50 00
" 14—	Queen City.....	18		6 00
" 23—	".....	18		0 75
" 28—	Myrtle.....	2	24 50	
" 30—	Amicus.....	20		1 75
" 30—	Toronto.....	30		0 25
July 7—	Queen City.....	18	35 00	7 50
" 7—	Toronto.....	30	36 50	
" 7—	Meniss.....	19		6 00
" 12—	Mizpah.....	22	37 50	
" 13—	Rathbone.....	12	30 50	
" 14—	Petrolia.....	17	27 00	
" 19—	Meniss.....	19	28 50	
" 25—	Red Cross.....	3	80 00	
" 26—	Bismarck.....	41	19 00	
" 27—	Mystic.....	1	37 00	
" 30—	Damon.....	6		6 00
" 31—	Marmion.....	15	18 00	5 05
" 31—	Ontario.....	25	17 50	
" 31—	Hamlet.....	42		50 00
" 31—	Olive.....	14	26 00	2 25
" 31—	Aurora.....	13		48 30
" 31—	Rokeby.....	9	37 50	
	Interest.....			24 64
			\$1854 10	\$392 05 \$384 74
				\$2630 89

## D. J. PEACE, G. M. OF E. IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND LODGE.

## EXPENDITURE.

DATE.	PAID TO	On Account of	Order No.	Amount.
1893.				
Aug.	9—G. E. Van Tuyl	Expenses Sarnia Lodge, etc.	418	\$35 85
"	9—G. H. Mitchell	Express and Duty	420	51 20
"	9—G. E. Van Tuyl	Expenses as D. D. G. C.	421	3 24
"	9—J. B. Davidson	Expenses as G. C.	422	74 07
"	9—D. J. Peace	Expenses of G. L. Officers	423	103 96
"	9—E. Biggings	Expenses as D. D. G. C.	424	6 20
"	9—D. J. Peace	Expenses as G. M. E.	425	12 52
"	9—Miller & Soole	Printing and Supplies	426	26 75
"	9—Ontario Government	Renewal of Registry	427	25 00
"	9—Ontario Government	Incorporation of Grand Lodge	427	1 00
"	9—Supreme Lodge	Supplies for Grand Lodge	428	184 74
Oct.	5—Miller & Soole	Printing Journal, etc.	429	165 00
"	5—G. H. Mitchell	Rent of G. L. Room	430	20 00
"	5—D. J. Peace	Post Cards Printed	431	2 50
"	5—G. H. Mitchell	Salary as G. K. R. S.	432	50 00
"	5—D. J. Peace	Expenses of Ex. Committee	433	35 78
1894.				
Feb.	15—Miller & Soole	Printing	434	38 75
"	15—Blackhall & Co.	Wrappers and Postage	435	6 49
Mar.	17—G. H. Mitchell	Rent of G. L. Room	436	30 00
"	17—G. H. Mitchell	Salary as G. K. R. S.	437	25 00
Apr.	12—Supreme Lodge	Representative Tax, 1894	438	100 00
May	7—Miller & Soole	Printing Constitutions	439	92 05
June	13—Ontario Government	Renewal of Registry	440	25 00
"	13—Ontario Government	Incorporation of 15 Lodges	440	15 00
"	13—G. H. Mitchell	Express Charges and Duty	441	20 31
July	31—G. H. Mitchell	Salary, Rent, Postage, etc.	442	120 13
"	31—Miller & Soole	Printing Reports, etc.	443	49 25
"	31—Supreme Lodge	Supplies	444	77 64
		Balance, cash on hand		1233 46
				\$2630 88

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Representative McWhinney, of No. 16, announced that the work of the Knight Rank, long form, would be exemplified by Damon Lodge, of Detroit, this evening at eight o'clock, in the hall in which the Grand Lodge was meeting, and on to-morrow evening an excursion would take place to Star Island, on the steamer "Sappho," leaving her dock at 6.30 o'clock. On behalf of the reception committee he extended a cordial invitation to the members of Grand Lodge and hoped to see every one present on both occasions,

The Grand Chancellor, on behalf of the Grand Lodge, accepted the invitation.

On call of lodges for presentation of business the following were submitted :

By Representative Shortiss, on behalf of Mystic Lodge, No. 1 :

*To the Representatives of Mystic Lodge, No. 1, K. of P., Session 1894 :*

Dear Sirs and Bros.,—The lodge desires you to ask the following questions and to promote, as far as lays in your power, the legislation asked for.

Question 1.—Whether a brother, having paid his dues, fines and assessments, is entitled to an order for the S.A.P.W., his lodge not yet being in possession of the same, but other lodges working under it.

Question 2.—Has the lodge a right to give a member an order for the S.A.P.W. when he is a resident member and he can obtain it at any time from his C.C.

Legislation.—To amend Rule 115, General Laws, by adding the words, "or dependents, being relatives" in second line, after the words, "orphan children," making it read: "Lodges may prescribe in their by-laws for the payment of benefits to the widow or orphan children or dependents, being relatives, etc."

[Seal.]

S. B. POLLARD, C. C.  
THOS. SHORTISS, K. R. S.

Referred to Committee on Law and Supervision.

By the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, on behalf of Rokeby Lodge, No. 9 :

*To the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Ontario :*

On behalf of Rokeby Lodge, No. 9, of Wallaceburg, Ont., working under a Dispensation, dated 27th February, 1888, would respectfully report that our

lodge is in good working condition and that its future prospects of permanency are also good. The officers are punctual in the performance of their duties and the attendance of the members is regular. The membership now numbers 75, being an increase of 63 since institution, and we have \$250 00 in the treasury. We, therefore, pray that your grand body will grant the lodge a Charter in lieu of the Dispensation and enclose herewith the fee of five dollars.

Dated this 21st day of December, 1893.

[Seal]

W. J. McDONALD, C. C.

WM. ANDERSON, K. of R. and S.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

By Representative Cluff, on behalf of Queen City Lodge,  
No. 18 :

*To the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of Ontario :*

The undersigned, by authority and on behalf of Queen City Lodge, No. 18, Toronto, Ont., working under a dispensation, dated July 31st, 1891, would respectfully report that our lodge is in good working condition and its prospects of permanency are also good. The officers are punctual in the performance of their duties, and the attendance of the members is regular. The membership now numbers 70, being an increase of 49 since institution, and we have \$448.91 in the treasury. We, therefore, pray that your grand body will grant the lodge a Charter in lieu of the Dispensation and enclose herewith the fee of five dollars.

Dated this 15th day of August, 1894.

[Seal]

E. M. COHN, C. C.

W. J. CLUFF, Acting K. R. S.

Referred to Committee on State of the Order.

Representative Chapman, of No. 3, from the Special Committee on Distribution, presented the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Your Special Committee on Distribution, to whom were referred the Reports of the Grand Lodge officers, would report and recommend :

1. That so much of the Report of the Grand Chancellor as refers to "Official Circular," "Meniss Lodge," "New Lodges," "Recommendations" with concluding remarks, be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.
2. That so much as refers to "Appointment of District Deputies and Committees," "Executive Committee," "Decisions," "By-Laws and Amend-

ments Approved," "Dispensations" and "Postponement of Grand Lodge Meeting," be referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.

3. That so much as refers to "Endowment Rank" be referred to a Special Committee.

4. That the Reports of the District Deputies and table of lodge inspections be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

5. That so much of the Report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal as refers to "State of the Order," "Supreme Lodge Session," "Membership and Finances of Subordinate Lodges," and "Numerical and Financial Statements" be referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

6. That so much as refers to "Registry and Incorporation" be referred to the Committee on Law and Supervision.

7. That so much as refers to "Semi-Annual Returns," be referred to the Committee on Credentials and Returns.

8. That so much as refers to "Finances of the Grand Lodge," "Statement of all Accounts in Ledger," "Details of Profit and Loss Account" and "Detailed Financial Statement," be referred to the Committee on Finance.

9. That the Report of the Grand Master of Exchequer be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

JESSE CHAPMAN, of No. 3.

ED. BEETON, of No. 6.

A. F. ROBB, of No. 38.

The Grand Chancellor appointed Representatives Carrothers, of No. 2; Murdoch, of No. 6; and Stacey, of No. 12, as the Special Committee on Endowment Rank.

The Grand Lodge then took recess.

## FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2.30. On roll call the following answered to their names :

J. B. DAVIDSON.....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN.....	Grand Chancellor.
B. S. VAN TUYL.....	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. C. MACDONALD.....	Grand Prelate.
G. H. MITCHELL.....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
WM. SMITH.....	Grand Inner Guard.
R. POULTON.....	Grand Outer Guard.
JOHN S. KING.....	Supreme Representative.
P. D. MCKELLAR.....	“ “

And Grand Representatives Shortiss, of No. 1; Richardson, of No. 2; Brown, Chapman and Burns, of No. 3; Bemister and Rattray, of No. 4; Beeton and Murdoch, of No. 6; A. G. McWhinney and Plastow, of No. 10; McConnell, of No. 12; Robinson, of No. 15; T. McWhinney, of No. 16; Endress and Sturgeon, of No. 17; Gillie, of No. 19; Murrell and Armstrong, of No. 20; Hill and Whittaker, of No. 22; Jorgenson and Huffman, of No. 25; Fowle and Bennett, of No. 28; Alexander and Gray, of No. 30; Southcott, of No. 33; Young, of No. 35; McRobert, of No. 37; Robb, of No. 38; Pears and Leigh, of No. 39; Lambert and Easton, of No. 40; A. Elliott, of No. 41; Barnsdale and Corrie, of No. 42.

The Grand Master-at-Arms introduced the following Past Chancellors, on whom the Grand Lodge rank was conferred in ritualistic form :

D. W. Mason.....	of No. 35
Thos. Elliott.....	“ 36

NOTE.—The name of Geo. McNally, of No. 16, was inadvertently omitted from the list of Past Chancellors upon whom the Grand Lodge Rank was conferred at morning session and Representative Elliott, of No. 36, should not have been reported present.

Representative Murdoch, of No. 6, offered the following amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, which lies over until the next session :



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*Resolved*, That Section 3, Article XIX., of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, be amended by adding the words "Masters of Exchequer" after the word "such" in the first line on page 30.

Representative Jorgenson, of No. 25, from the Committee on Printing, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRINTING.

*To the Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Ontario :*

Your Committee on Printing begs leave to report that it procured tenders for the following printing as per instructions : 800 copies of Grand Lodge Journals ; 1000 Semi-annual Reports and Letter Circulars as required.

The tender of Messrs. Miller & Soole being the lowest, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to forward them the advance reports. The various tenders are herewith attached for examination, if desired.

Fraternally submitted,

- THEO. JORGENSEN, of No. 25.
- W. J. CLUFF, of No. 18.
- W. A. MURRELL, of No. 20.

Representative Robinson, of No. 15, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report :

REPORT No. 1, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred certain portions of the Grand Chancellor's address, begs leave to report :

1. In regard to the action of the Grand Chancellor in furnishing Meniss Lodge, No. 19, which lost its entire outfit through fire, with a new set of supplies at cost price, your committee recommend that said action be ratified and that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal bring to the notice of the various lodges the absolute necessity of each one having its property insured.

2. With regret the fact of only two new lodges having been instituted during the past year is noted and while the commercial depression, which has and still exists, had, no doubt, a retarding influence, your Committee believe that some definite policy on the lines of the second recommendation of the Grand Chancellor should be adopted and if a competent member can be secured we feel assured the results will be the resuscitation of some of the old and dormant lodges and the organization of many new ones. Such officer, if appointed, should be directly under the control of the Grand Chancellor and

failing the securing of a thoroughly competent member the Grand Chancellor should be paid a sufficient salary to enable him to devote his time and attention to the work of extending the order.

3. Your Committee fully concur with what the Grand Chancellor says of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal in his first recommendation and as the Grand Lodge is now financially in a position to pay him adequately for the arduous duties of his office we recommend that the salary be increased to \$300. Too much cannot be said of the able manner in which he has filled the office for the past 21 years and of the great and valuable services he has at all times rendered to this grand body at the sacrifice of his time and personal interest and we hope he will be long spared to perform the onerous and arduous duties of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal for this Grand Lodge.

4. Your Committee desire to express its gratification and appreciation of the indefatigable efforts of the Grand Chancellor in endeavoring to further the interests of our beloved order. He has sacrificed both time and money in his energy and zeal to extend, harmonize and further its progress during his term and in his round of visitations to the various lodges they experienced the benefit of his sound judgment and practical knowledge of the work of the order. We ask for him the cordial thanks of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.

F. T. C. RICHARDSON, of No. 2.

E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

Section 1 was approved.

Section 2, being under consideration, gave rise to a long and animated discussion and was finally approved and the following committee appointed to report on the subject on the lines recommended by the committee: Supreme Representatives McKellar and King; Past Grand Chancellor Davidson and Representatives McWhinney, of No. 10 and Elliott of No. 36.

Section 3 was approved.

Section 4 (the Grand Vice Chancellor in the chair) was approved and the thanks of the Grand Lodge extended to the Grand Chancellor and suitably acknowledged.

The report as a whole was adopted.

Representative Shortiss, of No. 1, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following report :

REPORT No. 1, OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom were referred certain portions of the report of the Grand Chancellor, begs leave to report :

1. The action of the Grand Chancellor in the appointment of District Deputies being in conformity with the Constitution, and his convening a meeting of the Executive Committee, as per resolution of Grand Lodge, are recommended for approval.
2. We recommend the approval of decisions rendered.
3. The by-laws of Meniss, Toronto, Amicus, Myrtle, Syracuse, Friendship, Petrolia, Calanthe and Red Cross lodges were submitted to your Committee during recess. In every instance more or less changes had to be made to have them conform to the Constitution and these having been made and approved by the Grand Chancellor are recommended for the approval of the Grand Lodge. The by-laws of Galt Lodge were not submitted to your Committee and it has therefore no recommendation to make concerning them except so far as they are covered by the next section of this report.
4. The suggestion of the Grand Chancellor in regard to lodges which have not yet amended their by-laws should be acted upon at once and it is so recommended.
5. The dispensations granted, except No. 11, are approved. No. 11, being granted for a lodge to meet every other Monday, is not in conformity with the fifth section of Article XVI., Grand Lodge Constitution, and is therefore not approved.
6. Postponement of Grand Lodge session. While believing that the decision of Grand Lodge to meet at a particular time and place should not be lightly set aside, yet the reasons given for such action are of such a character as to justify the action of the Grand Chancellor and it is accordingly recommended for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.  
W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.  
R. A. BENNETT, of No. 28.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

Section 1 was approved.

Section 2, being under consideration, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal objected to the approval of the third decision as being unsound in principle and an interference with the rights of lodges to protect their own interests. Representative Beeton, of No. 6, explained the circumstances of the case after which the section was referred back to the Committee with instructions to reverse its recommendation so far as it relates to the third decision and report a recommendation which would enable lodges to have a remedical examination of candidates when desired.

Section 3, being under consideration, the representatives of Red Cross Lodge protested against the action of the Committee on Law and the subsequent approval of the same by the Grand Chancellor in striking out a provision in the by-laws of the lodge for making an assessment on the members to reimburse the treasury for the amount paid on the death of a member.

Representative Chapman, of No. 3, moved that Red Cross Lodge be permitted to reinsert the clause stricken out by the Committee on Law, and after being amended by adding the words, "provided that the amount paid for benefits shall not exceed the sum laid down in the constitution," it was so ordered and referred back to the Committee to report accordingly.

Sections 4, 5 and 6 were approved.

Also, from the same Committee, the following report, which was adopted :

#### REPORT No. 2, OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred the questions submitted by the representatives of No. 1, begs leave to report :

1. Question No. 1, being similar to the subject matter on which the Grand Chancellor rendered his first decision and having already been acted upon by this Grand Lodge no further consideration is necessary.

2. Question No. 2, we answer in the affirmative, provided the law in this connection is complied with.

The legislation asked for can only be secured by an amendment to the General Laws being submitted in the usual constitutional way.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.  
W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.  
R. A. BENNETT, of No. 28.

Representative McConnell, of No. 12, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 1, OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, to whom were referred the financial statements of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal and the report of the Grand Master of Exchequer, begs leave to report :

Your Committee have carefully and thoroughly examined the books and vouchers of said officers and have much pleasure in stating that the same are correct in every particular and well kept, and must congratulate this body in having such careful and painstaking officials.

We herewith give a short statement of the finances of the Grand Lodge :

Balance from last year .....	\$ 360 10
Receipts of the year .....	2270 79
Total .....	2630 89
Disbursements .....	1397 43
Balance on hand .....	\$1233 46

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. MCCONNELL, of No. 12.  
J. L. BROWN, of No. 3.

The Grand Lodge then took a recess until 9.30 a. m. Wednesday.

SECOND DAY, AUGUST 22ND, 9.30 A.M.

The Grand Lodge was called to order. Present :

J. B. DAVIDSON	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN	Grand Chancellor.
B. S. VANTUYL	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. C. MACDONALD	Grand Prelate.
G. H. MITCHELL	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM	Grand Master-at-Arms.
WM. SMITH	Grand Inner Guard.
K. POULTON	Grand Outer Guard.
JOHN S. KING	Supreme Representative.
P. D. MCKELLAR	“ “

And Grand Representatives Shortiss and Wallis, of No. 1; Carrothers and Richardson of No. 2; Brown and Burns, of No. 3; Bemister and Rattray, of No. 4; Beeton and Murdoch, of No. 6; A. G. McWhinney and Plastow, of No. 10; McConnell, of No. 12; Robinson, of No. 15; Thos. McWhinney, of No. 16; Endress and Sturgeon, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Gillie, of No. 19; Murrell and Armstrong, of No. 20; Hill and Whittaker, of No. 22; Jorgenson and Huffman, of No. 25; Fowlie and Bennett, of No. 28; Alexander and Gray, of No. 30; Southcott, of No. 33; Young and Mason, of No. 45; Thos. Elliott, of No. 36; McRobert and Kennedy, of No. 37; Robb, of No. 38; Pears and Leigh, of No. 39; Lambert and Easton, of No. 40; A. Elliott, of No. 41; Barnsdale and Corrie, of No. 42.

The Grand Master-at-Arms introduced Past Chancellor Stacey, of No. 12, on whom the Grand Lodge rank was conferred in ritualistic form.

The Grand Chancellor presented the following report of the Deputy for No. 15 District, which was referred to the Committee on State of the Order :

W. E. RISPEN, *Grand Chancellor of Ontario* :

Dear Sir and Bro.,—In compliance with your request, *re* Oil Springs Lodge, No. 34, I have possessed myself of such information, based upon facts, as I trust will enable you to better determine what course to pursue in this unfortunate case.



In the first place I find that its organization was not based upon a genuine desire to further the continuance of the order and from that day to the present time the lodge has not been a success.

Shortly after its organization its charter members, one by one, moved away from Oil Springs and, therefore, left only a minority of its charter members to enlist new members, in which they were handicapped by keen and established orders who are composed of men eager to promote the interests of their own societies, which was discouraging to the few resident members.

Then again, the lodge has had difficulty in obtaining a settlement with its Master of Exchequer, who had removed to Blenheim and is neglectful of his duties. I further find that the lodge is solvent but its members are all in arrears and do not wish to pay them up as they think it would be more expensive for them to do so than to join another lodge of this or some other order. Acting upon my suggestion I find that five of the members would like to affiliate with some other lodge of the Knights of Pythias. In order to do so they ask you to grant their request upon condition that they pay up their lodge arrears and discharge all liabilities of their lodge with their present assets and any balance they will make up amongst themselves.

Should you see your way clear to do this I am confident Petrolia Lodge would reap the benefit of these five members and they would continue to be a benefit to the order. In conclusion I feel confident that under no other circumstances can their membership be retained, and as far as the lodge at Oil Springs is concerned it is beyond redemption.

Wishing you a profitable session of the grand body at Windsor, I am

Yours, in F., C. and B.,

G. S. PITKIN,

*D. D. G. C., No. 15 Dist.*

PETROLIA, Aug. 20th, 1894.

Representative Murdoch, of No. 6, submitted the following amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, which lies over until next session :

Amend Section 1, Article XVII., G. L. Cons., by adding the following :

"The application for any proposed new lodge shall be submitted to all the lodges in the city or town in which it is proposed to form such new lodge and only such names as are approved of by all of such lodges shall be allowed to become members of the Order."

Representative Shortiss, of No. 1, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following report, which was adopted :

## REPORT No. 3, OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred section 2 of its report No. 1, with instructions to reverse its finding in so far as it relates to the third decision of the Grand Chancellor, and submit a clause covering the point at issue, for recommendation to lodges to embody in their by-laws, begs leave to report :

In pursuance to instructions of Grand Lodge your Committee, while still believing the decision rendered by the Grand Chancellor to be perfectly constitutional, recommend that the third decision be not sustained and, to set at rest any future doubt that might arise, that lodges embody in their by-laws a clause similar to the following :

"Every applicant for advancement shall, if it be considered necessary by the lodge, be re-examined by the lodge physician, and if the examination be considered unsatisfactory advancement may be denied until such time as he can pass a satisfactory one."

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.

W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.

R. A. BENNETT, of No. 28.

Also, from the same Committee, the following report, which was adopted :

## REPORT No. 4, OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision, to whom was referred that portion of section 3, of its report No. 1, relating to the by-laws of Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, begs leave to report that the sections of said by-laws which were not approved were as follows :

"15. On the death of a member not entitled to receive the maximum amount of benefits, but who at the time of his death is in good standing, the sum of \$50 shall be paid forthwith to the widow or nearest competent relative entitled to receive the same, and a pro rata assessment shall be levied on every member of the Lodge to reimburse the treasury for said \$50.

"16. On the death of a member entitled to receive the maximum amount of benefits, the sum of \$100 shall be paid forthwith to the widow or nearest competent relative entitled to receive the same, and a pro rata assessment shall be levied on every member of the lodge to reimburse the treasury for said \$100."

Your Committee desires to state that Rule 115 of the Constitution only permits benefits to be paid to the widows and orphans of members who, at the

time of their death, were entitled to maximum benefits, therefore section 15 is unconstitutional and cannot be approved.

In regard to section 16, we recommend that it be amended by striking out the words "nearest competent relative entitled to receive the same" and inserting the words "orphan children," and that it be thus approved.

Your Committee also recommend that Grand Lodge furnish this Committee with the latest official digest.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.

W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.

R. A. BENNETT, of No. 28.

Report No. 1, of the Committee on Law and Supervision, as amended, was then adopted.

Representative Robinson, of No. 15, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted:

#### REPORT No. 2, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred the reports of the District Deputy Grand Chancellors, begs to submit its finding as follows:

District No. 1.—Your Committee have reviewed with pleasure the concise and encouraging report of Bro. Jorgenson and he has just cause to be proud of his record of having attended 109 lodge meetings. This district embraces nine lodges and the good example set by him is worthy of emulation by other deputies and if followed would result in infusing a healthy stimulus in the lodges of all the districts. We trust such will be the case during the coming year.

District No. 2.—There are two lodges in this district, one of which, Red Cross, No. 3, is the banner lodge of this jurisdiction. From the report of the Deputy it will be seen that he left the district last April, since which time it has been without supervision and your Committee cannot commend the action of the deputy in retaining his commission after removing to another section of the country. We are pleased to note the prosperity of No. 3 and in regard to No. 31 the conviction is forced upon us that had the Deputy been at his post or, when leaving, had resigned and another been appointed, this lodge, with encouragement and support from one which it had a right to expect it, might have had a more favorable report. We are the more convinced of this from his remarks in regard to his successor and hope for the confirmation thereof during the coming year.

District No. 3.—The report of Bro. Southcott is very encouraging and his remarks concerning the various lodges in his district evidences the fact that he has not been unmindful of the confidence reposed in him but has been keeping a watchful eye over the trust committed to his care.

District No. 6.—The two lodges under Bro. Biggings, though far separated, have been watched over by him with a fatherly interest and under the paternal guidance of himself and Bro. Knight we hope to see several "olive branches" in full bloom before our next session.

District No. 7.—The practice of fraternal visits by the lodges in this district is one to be commended, for in no better manner can the members exemplify the fraternal ties that should always exist both individually and collectively. During dull times these visitations are especially beneficial for they serve to enliven the monotony of the ordinary routine work of a lodge which is naturally consequent when rank work is scarce.

District No. 8.—There can be but little doubt but what the gratifying results of the years work done by No. 12 is due in a great measure to the energetic efforts of Bro. Stacey and it is a source of great pleasure to hear how well the officers of the lodge have attended to their duties, and with what care the selection of new members is made. In the recommendation of Bro. McConnell as Deputy for the ensuing year the Past Chancellors have exhibited keen foresight and we shall expect, at next grand lodge session, to see even greater results than have been reported this year.

District No. 12.—We regret that this "way down east" district does not have a more cheerful report to offer but no doubt it is considerably lonesome to be there all by itself. However, if the reports of the Grand Chancellor and Grand Keeper of Records and Seal are verified it will not be long before No. 28 will not have to travel so far to get into good company. Don't despair, brothers, keep right on in the work in which you have so far done so well.

District No. 17.—Nearly five hundred miles north-west from the preceding district we find another lonely lodge, and notwithstanding it had been tried by fire Bro. Hicks reports that the members were in no way disheartened but had set to work with renewed vigour. We sincerely trust that the expectations for some new lodges in the district will shortly be realized, and judging from our short acquaintance with Bro. Gillie at this session, he having received the nomination for the next deputyship, we fully believe they will be carried to a successful issue.

District No. 20.—Bro. Robb's report is somewhat despondent but we are under the impression he was expecting too much at the start. Let him go to work with the members who take an interest and infuse new life and energy into those who are lukewarm and he will be surprised what results an united effort will accomplish. We would recommend that the incoming Grand

Chancellor visit this lodge at the earliest opportunity as we understand that one of the drawbacks to its growth has been lack of knowledge in the work of the order.

Lodge Inspection.—This table is an innovation and a good thing and the Grand Chancellor is to be congratulated upon its introduction. It shows at a glance the relative standing of the various lodges in many essential points. We notice that several Deputies, although they reported, failed to give particulars of inspection while others have not been heard from at all. These latter are to be severely condemned and deserve the censure of Grand Lodge for dereliction of duty and want of interest in the work they had been chosen to perform and had promised to fulfil. Those who have aided the Grand Chancellor by being faithful stewards have our sincere thanks and we feel assured they will receive the commendation of the lodges they represented. We regret to notice that the otherwise excellent report of No. 1 District should be marred by the "don't knows," as we believe the information could have been obtained if asked for, and we further regret that Lodge No. 38 is reported with two rituals short. We recommend that the Deputy be instructed to see that they are produced to him and that he report the fact to the Grand Chancellor without delay.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.

E. J. MCROBERT, of No. 37.

F. T. C. RICHARDSON

Also, from the same Committee, the following report :

REPORT No. 3, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred certain portions of the report of the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, begs leave to report :

1. In reference to that part under the heading "state of the order," which refers to the operation of the new law requiring a division of lodge funds into a benefit and general fund your Committee are pleased to learn that good results have followed its introduction and that the pernicious practice of lending lodge funds on insufficient security has thereby been effectually stopped.

2. That so much as refers to the translation of the ritual into other than the English language be passed upon by the Grand Lodge as a body so that after a full and free discussion the Supreme Representatives may be in a position to voice its opinion and desire at the ensuing session of Supreme Lodge.

3. In regard to the cost and quality of supplies furnished by the Supreme Lodge there can be but one verdict by any one who has given the subject any consideration and that verdict is that the quality is not at all commensurate with the cost. There can be no objection to a reasonable profit being made upon supplies but lodges have a right to expect and demand a good article for a good price and to object when inferior material is furnished. We are of the opinion that the charges for supplies furnished by the Supreme Lodge are excessive and not in keeping with the quality of the goods and if, as stated by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the profit has in five years amounted to \$130,000, we are of the opinion that in the interests of the Order this question should receive the serious consideration of the Supreme Lodge, and would recommend that our Supreme Representatives use their influence to have a change effected.

4. The net increase in membership during the past year has not been as much as could have been desired but when the financial depression which has prevailed is taken into consideration, there is cause for congratulation rather than otherwise. The number reported suspended for non-payment of dues is a matter for regret and we would strongly urge the more prompt collecting of dues by the Masters of Finance and that such officers be paid a commission on the amount collected instead of a stated salary which we believe would have the effect of greatly reducing the number of suspensions.

5. The financial statements show that the lodges are in a fairly healthy condition but in the case of most of the old ones the amount on hand is not what it should be and we recommend that Representatives bring these tables to the notice of their respective lodges and urge as much retrenchment in the general expenses as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.

E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.

F. T. C. RICHARDSON, of No. 2.

The report was considered *seriatim* and adopted with instructions to the Supreme Representatives to vote against any translation of the ritual.

Also, from the same Committee, the following report, which was adopted:



REPORT No. 4, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred the application for Charters from Rokeby and Queen City Lodges, begs leave to recommend that in view of the progress exhibited by said lodges that the requests be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.  
E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.  
F. T. C. RICHARDSON, of No. 2.

Representative Wallace, of No. 1, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 2, OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance, begs leave to report that it has had referred to it the following accounts and recommend that warrants be drawn for the payment thereof :

W. E. Rispen, expenses as Grand Chancellor.....	\$154 68
G. S. Pitkin, expenses as D.D.G.C.....	5 35
E. Biggings, expenses as D.D.G.C.....	6 00

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. McCONNELL, of No. 12.  
C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

Representative Robb, of No. 38, was excused from further attendance on account of business which demanded his immediate attention.

The Grand Lodge then took recess.

## SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2.30 o'clock and on roll call the following answered to their names :

J. B. DAVIDSON .....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN .....	Grand Chancellor.
B. S. VANTUYL .....	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. C. MACDONALD .....	Grand Prelate.
G. H. MITCHELL .....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE .....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM .....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
WM. SMITH .....	Grand Inner Guard.
R. POULTON .....	Grand Outer Guard.
JOHN S. KING .....	Supreme Representative.
P. D. MCKELLAR .....	“ “

And Grand Representatives Shortiss and Wallis, of No. 1; Carrothers and Richardson of No. 2; Brown, Burns and Chapman, of No. 3; Bemister and Rattray, of No. 4; Beeton and Murdoch, of No. 6; A. G. McWhinney and Plastow, of No. 10; McConnell and Stacey, of No. 12; Robinson, of No. 15; Thos. McWhinney, of No. 16; Endress and Sturgeon, of No. 17; Cluff, of No. 18; Gillie, of No. 19; Murrell and Armstrong, of No. 20; Hill and Whittaker, of No. 22; Jorgenson and Huffman, of No. 25; Fowlie and Bennett, of No. 28; Alexander and Gray, of No. 30; Southcott, of No. 33; Young and Mason, of No. 35; Thos. Elliott, of No. 36; McRobert and Kennedy, of No. 37; Pears and Leigh, of No. 39; Lambert and Easton, of No. 40; A. Elliott, of No. 41; Barnsdale and Corrie, of No. 42.

Representative Robinson, of No. 15, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted :

## REPORT No. 5, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred the report of the District Deputy of No. 15 District, *re* Oil Springs Lodge, No. 34, begs leave to report that owing to insufficient official data it cannot recommend that the suggestion of the Deputy be complied with, but would recommend that the Grand Chancellor, either personally or by Special Deputy, investigate the

circumstances attending the lodge and take such steps as will, in his judgment, best serve the interests of the order.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.  
E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.

Supreme Representative King, offered the following resolution which was adopted :

*Whereas*, The press is recognized as one of the greatest agencies for the dissemination of knowledge, and

*Whereas*, During the past year increased interest has been taken by the press in the principles and progress of the Order and by publication of matters of information has largely benefitted the Order, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the press for past services rendered and for the liberal reports of the present session.

Representative Stacey, of No. 12, from the Special Committee on Endowment Rank, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON ENDOWMENT RANK.

Your Special Committee to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Grand Chancellor relating to the Endowment Rank, begs leave to report :

That according to the figures quoted this branch of our order is not being taken advantage of to the extent that its merits entitle it to or in anything like a just proportion according to the membership of this jurisdiction.

Your Committee believe that the reason must be that the members are not posted in regard to it and therefore do not understand or know that we have in the order a system of insurance which cannot be surpassed by any fraternal organization in existence. We feel assured that there must be a large proportion of our membership carrying insurance in other societies who would, if they had known of the existence of this rank, have only been too pleased to have taken advantage of it.

This feature of our Order is worthy of the highest confidence and the records of the fifteen years of its existence shew that every legitimate claim has been paid in full immediately upon receipt of proof of death and the fact that

the immense sum of nine millions of dollars has been paid to the widows and orphans of deceased members speaks more than any words of ours could do.

Every Knight should deem it a duty to himself and his lodge to make provision, in case of his death, for those depending upon him, and there is no better, cheaper or safer method of so doing than by taking advantage of the facilities offered by the Endowment Rank.

Your Committee begs to recommend :

1. That the various lodges be kept fully supplied with all literature relating to the rank.
2. That the Grand Chancellor instruct his deputies to make this branch an especial study and to regularly bring it to the notice of their respective lodges.
3. That in the event of an organizer or special deputy being appointed it be made part of his duties to thoroughly acquaint himself with all the facts concerning this rank and by endeavoring to strengthen existing sections, and the formation of new ones, he will greatly add to the interest and stability of the order, and thus enhance his sphere of usefulness.

Respectfully submitted,

J. STACEY, of No. 12.  
R. CARROTHERS, of No. 2.  
J. Y. MURDOCH, of No. 6.

Representative Shortiss, of No. 1, submitted the following amendment to the General Laws, which lies over until next session :

Amend rule 115 of the General Laws by inserting the words "or dependent relatives" after the word "children," in the second line.

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.  
D. W. MASON, of No. 35.  
S. J. SOUTHCOTT, of No. 33.  
A. B. ARMSTRONG, of No. 20.  
ED. BEETON, of No. 6.

Representative Shortiss, of No. 1, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following report :

#### REPORT No. 5, OF COMMITTEE ON LAW AND SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision have had in consideration the several amendments offered at last session, and begs to report thereon as follows :—

1. The proposed amendments looking to the formation of an Executive Committee, and found on page 306 of the Journal of last session, we consider will be of great assistance to the Grand Chancellor and to the best interests of this grand body and would therefore recommend its adoption.
2. In regard to the proposed amendment to Rules 32, found on page 264, Journal of last session, a request has been made to allow of its withdrawal and your Committee would so recommend.
3. The proposed amendment to Rule 58, on same page, is approved and recommended for adoption.
4. The amendment proposed to be made to Rules 31 and 32, found on page 294, Journal of last session, are not approved and it is recommended that they be not adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. SHORTISS, of No. 1.  
 W. L. BEMISTER, of No. 4.  
 R. A. BENNETT, of No. 28.

The report was considered *seriatim* and adopted.

Past Supreme Representative Gliddon, of the grand jurisdiction of Michigan, was announced and introduced to the Grand Lodge by Representative McWhinney, of No. 16, and was welcomed by the Grand Chancellor, to which Bro. Gliddon responded and made a splendid address.

Past Grand Chancellor Davidson from the Special Committee appointed to consider the best means to be adopted for the purpose of extending the order in this jurisdiction, submitted the following report which was unanimously adopted :

#### REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON EXTENDING ORDER.

Your Special Committee appointed for the purpose of disposing of the question before this Grand body of furthering the interests of our order, by devoting a part of the funds of the Grand Lodge for the purpose of resuscitating defunct lodges, strengthening weak lodges and planting our banner in territory at present unclaimed by Pythians, begs leave to report :

1. That the Grand Chancellor be and is hereby authorized to expend the sum of \$150 per month for the purpose of extending the order and exemplifying the ritualistic work of the order, the expenditure to continue so long as the results shall be satisfactory to the Grand Chancellor.

2. That for this purpose the Grand Chancellor exercise his prerogative of appointing a Provincial Deputy.

3. That in making any agreement for remuneration with such deputy the Grand Chancellor act in conjunction with the Executive Committee of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

P. D. MCKELLAR, S. R.,

*Chairman.*

J. B. DAVIDSON, P. G. C.

A. G. MCWHINNEY, of No. 10.

THOS. ELLIOTT, of No. 36.

JOHN S. KING, M.D., S. R.

On motion of Sitting Past Grand Chancellor Davidson, the Grand Chancellor appointed the Grand Vice Chancellor, Grand Master of Exchequer and the mover as a Special Committee to draft resolutions expressing the appreciation of the Grand Lodge for the many courtesies received during this session.

The Grand Lodge then took recess until 8.30 a.m. Thursday.

### THIRD DAY, AUGUST 23RD, 9.00 O'CLOCK A.M.

The Grand Lodge was called to order. On roll call the following answered to their names :

J. B. DAVIDSON	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
W. E. RISPEN	Grand Chancellor.
B. S. VAN TUYL	Grand Vice Chancellor.
W. C. MACDONALD	Grand Prelate.
G. H. MITCHELL	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE	Grand Master of Exchequer.
W. C. MAPLEDORAM	Grand Master-at-Arms.
WM. SMITH	Grand Inner Guard.
R. POULTON	Grand Outer Guard.
JOHN S. KING	Supreme Representative.
P. D. MCKELLAR	" "

And Grand Representatives Shortiss, of No. 1; Richardson, of No. 2; Brown, Chapman and Burns, of No. 3; Bemister and Rattray, of No. 4;



Beeton and Murdoch, of No. 6; A. G. McWhinney and Plastow, of No. 10; McConnell, of No. 12; Robinson, of No. 15; Sturgeon, of No. 17; Gillie, of No. 19; Murrell and Armstrong, of No. 20; Hill and Whittaker, of No. 22; Huffman, of No. 25; Fowlie and Bennett, of No. 28; Alexander and Gray, of No. 30; Southcott, of No. 33; McRobert, of No. 37; Pears and Leigh, of No. 39; Lambert and Easton, of No. 40; A. Elliott, of No. 41; Barnsdale and Corrie, of No. 42.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented the following report of the Executive Committee:

#### REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

*To the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Ontario:*

We beg to submit the following report of the Executive Committee:

A meeting of the Executive was held in the City of Hamilton, on September 14th, 1893, there being present G. C., W. E. Rispen; P. G. C., J. B. Davidson; G. V. C., B. S. Van Tuyl; G. K. R. S., G. H. Mitchell and G. M. of E., D. J. Peace.

P. G. C., W. J. Vale, Deputy Registrar of Friendly Societies, was present by invitation of the Grand Chancellor to advise the Committee in regard to matters relating to the Insurance Corporation's Act.

In conformity with Report No. 2, of the Committee on State of the Order, adopted at last session, the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to secure the incorporation of the Grand Lodge under the amended Act of 1893.

It was also decided that it would be to the interest of the various lodges for them to become incorporated and the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to prepare the necessary papers and forward same to each lodge with full instructions as to requirements and mode of procedure. The cost of incorporation being only one dollar per lodge it was agreed to pay same from the funds of the Grand Lodge.

The most important work of the Committee was to endeavor to carry out the instruction of Grand Lodge as embodied in the resolution of Representative King, of No. 25, which read as follows:

*“Resolved, That the Grand Lodge Executive Committee be fully empowered to make such changes in the constitutions as may be necessary to make them conform to the requirements of the Insurance Corporations' Act, 1892, and amending Acts.”*

The Act provides, “Where the subordinate lodges are under the financial or administrative control of a central governing body within the Province, or a duly authorized Provincial representative of the society, the governing body,

if incorporated, or the Provincial representative, may, in the discretion of the Registrar, be dealt with as the society. It is not necessary that the central body guarantee or become responsible for the fulfilment of the lodge contracts. It is sufficient if the central body has power to compel an assessment to be made; or otherwise can insure the carrying out of the contracts; or can prevent repudiation of contracts. And a power to revoke or suspend the charter of the subordinate lodge in the event of failure to satisfy its contracts is a sufficient control within the proviso."

From this it will be seen that the Grand Lodge can only relieve itself of the responsibility of the fulfilment of its subordinate lodge contracts by enforcing them to faithfully carry out their engagements or revoke or suspend the charter of a delinquent lodge. Failing to do this it must itself assume the liability and liquidate it or lose its registration.

The question then arose as to what extent the financial or administrative control of subordinate lodges, it was contemplated by the Act, should be assumed or exercised by the Grand Lodge. Would the simple fact that it had the power to revoke a charter for non-fulfilment of contracts be sufficient? After a full discussion of the subject in all its bearings the Committee was unanimous in the opinion that under such a free interpretation a lodge could adopt the minimum rate of dues and promise benefits out of all proportion to its income, and it was manifest to every member that if such latitude was allowed the Grand Lodge could not escape its share of the responsibility. It was, therefore, decided that a minimum rate of dues and a maximum amount of benefits would require to be adopted and after a careful consideration of the question of dues it was agreed in that the interests of the lodges they should be graded according to age.

The relation of dues to benefits was presented by Past Grand Chancellor Vale, in a set of tables calculated upon the experience of older societies, and compiled for a committee of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, I.O.O.F., and a statement had been prepared by the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, which is now before you in printed form, showing the average cost per member for benefits and general expenses paid by lodges during 1892, as against the average amount per member received by the lodges from dues, and also from all sources. A similar statement, on the returns for 1893, was ordered to be prepared which has been done and is herewith submitted.

It would be impossible in a report to give in detail all the reasons which guided the Committee in formulating the changes, but in every instance the subject matter received most careful consideration and advantage was taken of reports submitted on similar subjects by other societies.

The amendments made are as follows:

## DUES.

The annual dues to be received by all lodges from all new members will be a graded scale according to age at time of receiving the rank of Knight, viz.:

21 to 25.....	\$6.40	36 to 40.....	\$8.40
26 to 30.....	7.00	41 to 45.....	9.60
31 to 35.....	7.60	46 to 49.....	11.20

From 50 upwards, if any admitted by dispensation.....\$14.40

Charter members of new lodges, if not already Knights... 6.40

The dues become payable on the first day of each quarter and may be paid at any time or place to the Master of Finance up to the last meeting for the quarter.

The dues of all present members to remain as they are unless a lodge decides to adopt the new scale.

A five years grade was agreed upon as being more preferable than a single year grade and the lowest rate being given to charter members of new lodges was done as they cannot derive any other advantage.

In regard to the time in which dues may be paid it is recommended that the by-laws of lodges specify that it must be done on or before the last meeting night of the lodge otherwise considerable difficulty will be experienced in closing the books for each semi-annual term. See letter of the Registrar hereto attached.

## BENEFITS.

The benefits to be paid by a lodge shall only be for sickness, funeral and to widows and orphans.

The sick benefits shall not be less than one dollar per week nor more than four dollars, and if over the minimum amount, shall not be for a longer period than 52 weeks, but the time and amount may be graded.

The funeral benefits shall not be less than \$20, nor more than \$40.

The benefits to widows or orphans (which is optional with lodges) shall not exceed \$100, and the amount so provided will require to be paid within sixty days of the death of the member.

Benefits will be payable under existing rules of good standing.

The laws of our Order have only recognized benefits during sickness and as a provision for funerals, but custom has provided a further benefit for widows and orphans and the same is usually incorporated in the by-laws of nearly every lodge. Heretofore this latter has been made in the shape of quarterly payments but as this seemed to conflict with the law regarding annuities the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was instructed to write the Registrar on the subject and report accordingly. The letter attached points

out that whatever amount is agreed to be paid must be done within a certain specified time.

FUNDS.

The funds of a lodge shall consist of two classes, viz.: the benefit fund and the general fund; the former of which shall be held exclusively for the payment of sick, funeral and widows and orphans' benefits.

These funds shall be deposited in the name of the lodge in any chartered bank of Ontario, or in any building society or loan company in Ontario, by any Act of Ontario or of the Dominion of Canada, duly authorized to receive deposits. If at any time either of these funds should accumulate to such an extent as to warrant a lodge making a further investment, then the same may be done to the credit of such fund in any of the following:

- (a). Securities which are a first charge on land held in fee simple.
- (b). Registered debentures of societies authorized by section 4 and 5 of an Act passed in the 54th year of Her Majesty and chaptered 19.
- (c). Debentures of a municipality of Ontario.  
Such securities or debentures being in other respects reasonable and proper.
- (d). Securities of the Dominion of Canada or of the Province of Ontario.

The interest derived shall belong to the respective funds.

For the institution of these funds a sum equal to not less than fifty per cent. of the amount on hand and invested on December 31st. 1893, shall be deposited to the credit of the benefit fund, and the balance to the credit of the general fund. Thereafter lodges shall at each meeting, as soon as the receipts of the evening are announced, decide what amount shall be deposited to the credit of the benefit fund, but in no case shall such sum be less than an amount equal to fifty per cent. of the dues received, and the balance of receipts shall be deposited to the credit of the general fund.

The Master of Exchequer shall deposit the amounts so decided by the lodge to the credit of the respective funds and report the same to the lodge at its next meeting, which shall be verified by the presentation of the bank books to the Chancellor Commander.

All cheques required to be drawn shall be signed by the Master of Exchequer and countersigned by the Chancellor Commander, but in no case shall any cheque be made out unless an order has been regularly passed by the lodge and a warrant therefor properly served on the Master of Exchequer.

The division of funds for general and benefit purposes is made imperative by the Act, which further provides how the same shall be cared for. In determining what proportion of lodge receipts should be set aside for benefits the Committee were guided by the table of receipts and expenditures for the year

1892, from which it was seen that it would not be safe to make a less provision than fifty per cent. of the dues and to restrict payments from this fund to benefits actually due on account of sickness, funeral and to widows and orphans. This per centage may be increased, but not decreased, unless by future experience Grand Lodge may determine otherwise.

## LIABILITIES.

For non-fulfilment of contract within specified time, or violation of any of the provisions regarding benefits or funds, lodges will forfeit their charter.

Officers and members are liable to the penalties provided by the Act for any malfeasance.

Members are liable for the amount of assessments, fees or dues of which notice has been actually given by the lodge unless the same are duly specified in the by-laws and payable at fixed dates.

The letter of the Registrar of Friendly Societies, referred to in the foregoing, is as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, ONTARIO.

PARLIAMENT BUILDINGS,

TORONTO, CAN., 4th Oct., 1893.

GEO. H. MITCHELL, Esq., *Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, Knights of Pythias, Toronto.*

Dear Sir,—In reply to your letter of the 2nd inst, I have to state:

1. The policy of the recent legislation is against deferred payments under contracts of friendly societies, and if small benefits, such as you refer to, were payable in instalments all sorts of legal complications would arise. See Ins. Corp. Act, 1892, sections 39, 40, 42, 44 (1).

2. The period of grace allowed by the Act is thirty days. If the society extends the period the Act (section 40 (1), proviso respecting reinstatement) recognizes and enforces the contract as thus relaxed. Your constitution should make it clear that the period of indulgence ends with the last meeting night in each quarter and is not for the whole period of a quarter.

Your truly,

J. HOWARD HUNTER,  
*Registrar of Friendly Societies.*

Before the Committee adjourned a vote of thanks was tendered to Bro. Vale for the valuable assistance rendered by him.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. RISPEN, *Chairman.*  
GEO. H. MITCHELL, *Secretary.*

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE OF LODGES, 1892.  
Comparison of Average Cost per member with Average Receipts.

Lodge	No. Sick.	Weeks sick.	Average per member		AVERAGE COST PER MEMBERS FOR RELIEF AND EXPENSES.										Average dues per member.	Average total receipts per member.	Average (Gain or Loss.
			Day	Hours	Sickness.	Funeral.	W. & O.	Other.	Total Relief.	General Expenses		Total cost per member.	Average dues per member.	Average total receipts per member.			
										General	Expenses						
1	5	10		17½	40	...	35	75	1 50	8 50	10 00	5 22	9 20	+ 80			
2	3	25	5	...	2 15	...	...	1 00	3 15	10 15	13 30	6 06	10 00	+ 2 70			
3	2	44	5	...	1 00	...	20	1 00	2 20	3 80	6 00	5 90	7 20	+ 1 20			
4	2	4	6	16½	40	1 00	1 10	...	2 50	2 40	3 80	3 24	6 25	+ 85			
5	10	40	6	...	2 30	...	30	2 60	6 00	6 00	6 00	5 07	9 75	+ 1 15			
6	1	17	1	7½	15	...	...	65	1 80	7 50	8 30	3 16	11 80	+ 3 50			
7	1	10	1	21½	80	...	...	...	85	5 30	6 00	6 70	10 25	+ 4 15			
8	10	12	1	5	60	...	...	...	1 45	10 50	11 95	6 30	14 70	+ 3 75			
9	8	33	4	...	2 20	...	70	...	2 00	2 20	5 15	6 00	6 50	+ 1 40			
10	5	9	1	3	60	70	1 80	...	3 10	3 85	6 95	5 98	7 45	+ 50			
11	4	23	2	1	20	...	...	...	2 0	5 50	6 00	4 92	7 40	+ 50			
12	4	29	3	9	1 70	70	80	4 50	7 70	1 00	9 00	6 08	7 20	+ 2 40			
13	9	74	8	8½	2 00	65	65	...	3 30	6 65	4 10	3 38	4 40	+ 30			
14	3	10	1	1½	45	...	...	...	3 35	4 65	9 85	7 45	10 50	+ 55			
15	1	3	...	10	05	...	...	...	35	4 40	4 85	5 47	5 35	+ 50			
16	3	25	6	...	1 65	...	...	25	1 80	7 00	7 30	3 40	10 70	+ 3 40			
17	11	35	4	5	2 05	70	...	...	2 75	4 75	4 30	3 80	13 15	+ 6 75			
18	6	34	26	10	4 90	...	...	...	5 80	2 00	11 75	6 60	11 65	+ 3 90			
19	2	10	9	2	60	...	...	90	5 60	6 50	11 20	5 18	5 00	+ 7 20			
20	6	10½	2	10	1 05	...	...	...	1 05	5 38	7 15	3 44	4 60	+ 2 55			
21	30	1	3	8½	15	...	...	...	1 60	3 30	5 10	4 06	5 75	+ 35			
22	31	3	8	12½	65	4 65	...	...	5 00	4 05	9 95	4 78	7 80	+ 1 90			
23	2	5	2	8	1 00	...	...	...	1 00	1 05	2 65	3 05	5 60	+ 2 95			
24	33	1	1	7	15	...	...	05	20	7 30	7 50	4 00	14 45	+ 6 50			
25	34	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10 45	10 45	1 50	11 50	+ 1 05			
26	125	471½	2	12	1 05	30	25	55	15	5 75	7 90	4 54	9 40	+ 1 50			

Relief paid equals 47 per cent. of dues received.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF LODGES, 1893.  
Comparison of Average Cost per member with Average Receipts.



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RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF LODGES, 1893.  
Comparison of Average Cost per member with Average Receipts.

Lodge	No. Sick.	Weeks sick.	Average per member		AVERAGE COST PER MEMBER FOR RELIEF AND EXPENSES.							Total cost per member.	Average dues per member.	Receipts per member.	Average Gain or Loss.
			Day	Hours	Sickness	Funeral	W. & O.	Other.	Total Relief.	General Expenses					
1	2	4	6	9	25	55	35	95	2 05	14 65	16 70	6 70	15 65	- 1 05	
2	8	30	16	10	2 85	...	...	1 05	3 90	0 00	12 90	6 22	12 05	- 2 25	
3	18	94	4	10	2 20	...	...	27	3 50	6 38	9 90	5 77	7 30	- 2 55	
4	3	8	1	0	55	...	...	45	1 00	3 25	4 25	5 64	3 55	- 70	
5	2	14	2	8	1 25	...	...	...	1 25	7 80	9 05	5 62	3 90	- 15	
6	9	5	3	1	1 80	...	...	...	70	1 50	4 55	6 03	3 15	+ 10	
7	10	3	1	1½	1 30	...	...	...	35	1 65	4 18	5 80	7 15	+ 35	
8	11	10	46	6	3 00	...	...	80	1 55	15 00	16 55	6 14	15 75	+ 30	
9	12	1	2	7	10	...	...	...	4 40	6 49	10 80	3 64	7 95	- 3 15	
10	13	1	7	17	65	1 32	71	33	3 00	6 90	6 10	3 11	7 25	+ 1 15	
11	15	7	16½	7	...	...	...	90	1 85	2 75	3 15	3 75	4 35	- 5 05	
12	16	5	51	3	1 90	...	...	...	1 00	4 00	5 00	5 80	8 40	+ 1 50	
13	17	2	3	15	2 00	30	1 85	40	4 55	5 55	5 10	4 00	8 00	+ 2 10	
14	18	4	16½	2	1 10	...	...	...	1 18	1 35	4 85	6 10	3 25	- 8 45	
15	19	7	38½	5	2 75	...	...	...	1 90	3 00	3 75	6 75	8 00	+ 10	
16	20	4	16	3	1 55	...	...	...	2 25	3 80	6 55	4 95	8 00	+ 1 25	
17	22	11	32	3	1 30	53	1 33	90	4 05	7 00	8 20	12 10	10 30	+ 2 10	
18	25	1	2½	5	25	...	...	...	1 65	1 90	8 05	4 10	8 85	- 30	
19	28	6	22	6	80	...	...	...	2 80	10 00	12 85	4 53	8 90	- 05	
20	30	6	15	1	10	...	...	...	93	1 50	5 20	5 41	8 00	- 4 80	
21	31	1	4½	1	22	45	...	...	1 68	2 12	7 33	9 45	6 80	+ 1 60	
22	33	2	4	1	60	...	...	...	2 07	2 66	7 24	9 00	7 25	- 2 20	
23	35	1	4	1	18	20	...	...	2 80	3 00	5 00	6 30	8 15	- 1 75	
24	36	5	8½	1	14	75	1 05	2 63	4 40	7 00	12 30	4 60	7 00	+ 1 00	
25	37	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2 00	2 00	3 00	5 10	8 50	- 3 80	
26	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8 70	8 70	4 42	5 70	+ 70	
27	39	1	7	2	40	...	...	...	40	10 50	10 00	5 42	13 80	+ 5 10	
28	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	9 70	9 70	1 80	11 00	+ 1 30	
29	121	505	2	6	1 10	15	30	75	2 30	6 25	8 55	4 74	8 20	- 35	

Relief paid equals 48 per cent. of dues received.

The report was considered *seriatim*.

The amendment regarding "Dues" being under consideration, Representative Carrothers, of No. 2, moved to amend by striking out the graded scale and substitute a minimum amount of \$6.00, which was not agreed to and the amendment submitted by the Committee was approved.

The amendment regarding "Benefits" being under consideration, Representative Chapman, of No. 3, moved to amend by striking out the \$40 for funeral benefits and inserting \$50, which was not agreed to and the amendment submitted by the Committee was approved.

The sections relating to "Funds" and "Liabilities" were approved.

The report as a whole was adopted.

Representative Robinson, of No. 15, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 6, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom was referred that portion of the report of the Grand Chancellor relating to "official circular," begs leave to report:

The importance of setting forth remedies for the conducting of the business of subordinate lodges and the reclaiming of suspended members is fully realized and these and other matters were particularly referred to in the explicit circular issued by the Grand Chancellor and sent to the various lodges. Whether the circular was duly placed before each lodge by the officers to whom it was addressed your Committee cannot say, but if it was the results show that the suggestions and request contained therein have not been acted upon.

Your Committee desire to say that part of the obligation of lodges requires compliance with the official mandates of the Grand Chancellor, and circulars issued by that officer should receive prompt attention.

Recognizing the importance of the matter contained in the circular we would recommend that it be printed in full in the proceedings of this session and that Representatives draw the attention of their respective lodges to it.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.

E. J. McROBERT, of No. 37.

The circular referred to in above report, and which was addressed to the Chancellor Commander of each lodge, is as follows:

OFFICE OF GRAND CHANCELLOR,

CHATHAM, July 25th, 1893.

Dear Sir and Brother,—At the last meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, held in Petrolia last month, we had the honor of a visit from Supreme Chancellor Blackwell who, in the course of a very entertaining address to the representatives of the different lodges there assembled, expressed regret that our beloved Order had not made that progress in Canada that had been expected by the Supreme Lodge and that although the past year showed a very healthy increase in membership, they looked for a still larger gain during the present year. This we would all like to see and I most earnestly request the co-operation of every Knight in the jurisdiction in assisting me to prove to the Supreme Lodge what we are capable of doing, and I hope at the next meeting of Grand Lodge to present a report which will shew a very large increase in our membership and number of lodges. There are a great many points in Ontario, where we are not represented, capable of giving us good lodges and I intend asking the different D.D.G.C.'s each to go over his district carefully, with a view of instituting new lodges where possible and desirable, and if they are assisted by their brother Knights I have no doubt of the results.

It will no doubt be a surprise to you and the brethren of your lodge to learn that about forty per cent. of our membership in this jurisdiction have been suspended for non-payment of dues and there is no doubt this is caused by laxity in collections and consequent inability or disinclination to pay when the sum in arrear gets large.

Dues should be paid monthly or quarterly in advance and if this rule is adopted and carried out there will be very few suspensions for back dues.

A plan for prompt collection of dues that has been found, to work well is to allow the Master of Finance, or an appointed collector, a percentage on collections instead of a salary.

It would be the same gain to our membership to reinstate suspended members as making new ones and I would like to see energetic work with both

ends in view, as the bringing back of a worthy suspended brother is the return of a lost sheep to the fold, and to the end that an effort may be made in this direction, I would ask you to request your lodges to canvass the names of all your suspended members and forward me a list of those you desire to have reinstated, when I will write him a personal letter which can be followed up after a sufficient time has elapsed for reflection on his part, by canvassing on the part of brethren appointed by you. Please give me your support, and that of your lodge, in this work and see what the result will be.

As a means of infusing new blood into our lodges and increasing our membership, I would request you to appoint a committee to carefully revise a list of all the citizens of your town, not members of our Order, and when completed to present them to your lodge for discussion as to their desirability as members and, when all objectionable names have been struck out, that you each take a name and make up your mind that, if possible, you are going to be the means of adding at least one to your lodge roster.

If these suggestions, which were made by the Supreme Chancellor to Grand Lodge, are acted on I have no doubt we can shew a satisfactory addition of good material to our membership, and I trust you and the members of your lodge will take immediate steps to act, and by your assistance and work prove to me that you hold the success of our Order to be the duty of every true Knight.

I wish also to call your attention to the Endowment Rank which offers facilities to our membership for sound life insurance at a minimum cost, and which, I feel sure, would be more largely patronized were you to make yourself familiar with its benefits and see that your lodge also well understand them. If you and your members take advantage of the very excellent insurance the Knights of Pythias can give its members you will find this another bond to assist in keeping your membership together, and also to largely assist in the prompt collection of dues which is the foundation of the success of any and every fraternal organization. The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal will furnish literature and full particulars of the Endowment Rank on application.

Trusting that the suggestions herein contained will meet with your views and that you will act on them with vigor with a view to the building up of a prosperous lodge in your town.

Fraternally,

[Seal]

W. E. RISPEN,  
*Grand Chancellor.*

Past Grand Chancellor Davidson, from the Special Committee on Thanks, presented the following report which was unanimously adopted :

## REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THANKS.

Your Special Committee to whom was referred the consideration of the many kindnesses shewn to the officers and representatives of this Grand body at this session, begs leave to recommend the adoption of the following :

Whereas the members of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, Knights of Pythias, throughout its twenty-third annual session, held in the City of Windsor, have received many kindnesses from various sources, notably :

1. The very generous welcome extended to the members of this Grand body by the city corporation of Windsor—the city of many attractions—through their genial Mayor, Mr. Beattie.
2. The kindness exhibited by the citizens generally to the Grand Lodge, collectively and individually, and the great many generous attentions shewn by the local brethren of Windsor.
3. The delightful sail on the river, and banquet at Star Island, as the guests of the Windsor lodges.
4. The exceedingly interesting and highly instructive work done by Damon Lodge, No. 3, of Detroit.
5. The goodness of the local brethren in providing this Grand body with such a large, airy and suitable room in which to hold its meetings.
6. The very full report and notices by the press, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Grand Lodge hereby records its gratitude and hearty appreciation of these many kindnesses, entertainments and attentions—exhibitions of cordiality and good will that will ever remain a pleasant memory of this session. That the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal extend to the various parties this expression of thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. DAVIDSON, P.G.C.

B. S. VAN TUYL, G.V.C.

D. J. PEACE, G. M. of E.

Representative Huffman, of No. 25, offered the following, which was not agreed to :

In view of the fact that Toronto Division, No. 2, U.R., of Toronto, organized an excursion to Detroit during the present session of the Grand Lodge and in providing the greater portion of the representatives with tickets at excursion rates the expenses of the session will be reduced over two hundred dollars; and as Toronto Division is the only division of the Uniform Rank in the Province and proposes to attend the encampment at Washington,

taking with it a band of twenty-five pieces, the members of which, with the exception of three, are members of the order, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars be donated to Toronto Division to help to defray the expenses in connection with the band.

The Grand Chancellor announced that he had received the following telegram :

MONTREAL, August 23rd, 1894.

GRAND CHANCELLOR RISPEN, *K. of P., Windsor.*

Fraternal greetings from Crusader and Ingomar Lodges. Success to Ontario's Grand Lodge and order in general.

GEO. H. HILL, *C.C.*

Supreme Representative McKellar offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

*Resolved*, That the sum of ten dollars be appropriated in payment for services rendered by the janitor of this hall.

Representative Beeton, of No. 6, presented the following amendments to the General Laws, which lie over under their rules until next session :

That any Page or Esquire who may be required under the by-laws of his lodge to undergo a medical examination before being further advanced, shall, should such examination be unfavorable, and he be not further advanced on that account, have his fees already paid refunded to him, providing that the cause of such unfavorable examination be not due to any improper or immoral conduct on his part and further providing that not more than one month shall have elapsed since his last advancement.

J. F. GRAY, of No. 30.

A. A. ALEXANDER, of No. 30.

A. J. RATTRAY, of No. 4.

THEO. JORGENSEN, of No. 25.

W. H. ROBINSON, of No. 15.

To amend Rule No. 32, by striking out the word "in," in the second line after the word "standing," and insert "who have attended at least forty per cent. of the regular meetings held by."

J. Y. MURDOCH, of No. 6.

R. H. MCCONNELL, of No. 12.

W. A. MURRELL, of No. 20.

J. STACEY, of No. 12.

A. B. ARMSTRONG, of No. 20.

T. ELLIOTT, of No. 41.



## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year was then proceeded with, Representatives Stacey, of No. 12, and Rattray of No. 4, being appointed scrutineers.

For the office of Grand Chancellor, the present incumbent W. E. Rispen, Grand Vice Chancellor Van Tuyl and Representatives McWhinney of No. 16, and McConnell of No. 12, were nominated.

The Grand Chancellor, Grand Vice Chancellor and Representative McWhinney having declined the nomination, the Grand Master-at-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favor of Representative McConnell.

The Grand Chancellor announced that Representative McConnell having received all the votes cast was unanimously elected Grand Chancellor.

For the office of Grand Vice Chancellor the present incumbent, B. S. Van Tuyl, Grand Prelate Macdonald and Representatives McRobert, of No. 37; Armstrong, of No. 20; Mason, of No. 35, McWhinney, of No. 10 and Elliott, of No. 36, were nominated.

Representatives McRobert, Armstrong, Mason, and McWhinney declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	50
Necessary for a choice.....	26

Of which—

Grand Vice Chancellor Van Tuyl, of No. 17, received.	16
Grand Prelate Macdonald of No. 30, received.....	26
Representative Elliott of No. 36, received.....	8

And Grand Prelate Macdonald, of No. 30, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Grand Vice Chancellor.

For the office of Grand Prelate G. M. at A. Mapledoram and Representatives Mason, of No. 35 ; Elliott, of No. 36 ; Pears, of No. 39 ; Hill, of No. 22 ; Murrell of No. 20 ; Bennett, of No. 28 and Richardson, of No. 2, were nominated.

Representatives Elliott and Murrell declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast .....	49
Necessary for a choice.....	25

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received.....	14
Representative Mason, of No. 35, received.....	8
Representative Pears, of No. 39, received.....	6
Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	16
Representative Bennett, of No. 28, received.....	1
Representative Richardson, of No. 2, received .....	4

No choice.

The name of Representative Bennett was withdrawn.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	50
Necessary for a choice.....	26

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received.....	16
Representative Mason, of No. 35, received.....	8
Representative Pears, of No. 39, received.....	6
Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	18
Representative Richardson, of No. 2, received.....	2

No choice.

The name of Representative Richardson was withdrawn.

THIRD BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast .....	48
Necessary for a choice.....	25

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received.....	13
Representative Mason, of No. 35, received.....	12
Representative Pears, of No. 39, received.....	3
Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	20

No choice.

The name of Representative Pears was withdrawn.

FOURTH BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	48
Necessary for a choice.....	25

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received.....	12
Representative Mason, of No. 35, received.....	12
Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	24

No choice.

FIFTH BALLOT

Whole number of votes cast.....	47
Necessary for a choice.....	24

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received.....	12
Representative Mason, of No. 35, received.....	11
Representative Hill, of No. 22, received.....	24

And Representative Hill, of No. 22, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared elected Grand Prelate.

For the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, the present G. K. R. S., G. H. Mitchell, of No. 1. was nominated.

There being but one candidate for the office, the Grand Master-at-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favor of G. K. R. S. Mitchell, and he was declared re-elected.

For the office of Grand Master of Exchequer, the present G. M. of E., D. J. Peace, of No. 3, was nominated.

There being but one candidate for the office, the Grand Master-at-Arms was instructed to cast the vote of the Grand Representatives in favor of G. M. of E. Peace, and he was declared re-elected.

For the office of Grand Master-at-Arms, the present G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13; Grand Inner Guard Smith, of No. 33, and Representatives Alexander, of No. 30; Robinson, of No. 15; Murrell, of No. 20, and Richardson, of No. 2, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows.

Whole number of votes cast .....	41
Necessary for a choice .....	21

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received .....	7
Grand Inner Guard Smith, of No. 33, received .....	13
Representative Alexander, of No. 30, received .....	9
Representative Robinson, of No. 15, received .....	4
Representative Murrell, of No. 20, received .....	4
Representative Richardson, of No. 2, received .....	4

No choice.

The name of Representative Murrell, by consent, was withdrawn.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast .....	46
Necessary for a choice .....	24

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13, received .....	8
Grand Inner Guard Smith, of No. 33, received .....	15
Representative Alexander, of No. 30, received .....	12
Representative Robinson, of No. 15, .....	6
Representative Richardson, of No. 2, received .....	4
Spoiled .....	1

No choice.

The name of Representative Richardson was withdrawn, and also, by consent, that of Representative Robinson.

THIRD BALLOT

Whole number of votes cast .....	44
Necessary for a choice .....	23

Of which—

G. M. at A. Mapledoram, of No. 13 received.....	7
Grand Inner Guard Smith, of No. 33, received.....	19
Representative Alexander, of No. 30, received.....	16
Spoiled.....	2

No choice.

The name of G. M. at A, Mapledoram was withdrawn.

FOURTH BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	48
Necessary for a choice.....	25

Of which—

Grand Inner Guard Smith, of No. 33, received.....	23
Representative Alexander, of No. 30, received.....	23
Spoiled.....	2

No choice.

FIFTH BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	48
Necessary for a choice.....	25

Of which—

Grand Inner Guard Smith, of No. 33, received.....	21
Representative Alexander, of No. 30, received.....	26
Spoiled.....	1

And Representative Alexander of No. 30, having received a majority of all votes cast, was declared elected Grand Master-at-Arms

The Grand Lodge then took recess.

THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at 2.30 o'clock, and the election of officers continued.

For the office of Grand Inner Guard the present incumbent, Wm. C. Smith, of No. 33; Grand Outer Guard Poulton, of No. 36; and Representatives Murrell, of No. 20; Southcott, of No. 33 and Richardson, of No. 2, were nominated.

Grand Inner Guard Smith and Representative Southcott declined the nomination.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	38
Necessary for a choice.....	20

Of which—

Grand Outer Guard Poulton, of No. 36, received.....	25
Representative Murrell, of No. 20, received.....	8
Representative Richardson, of No. 2, received.....	5

And Grand Outer Guard Poulton, of No. 36, having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Grand Inner Guard.

For the office of Grand Outer Guard, Representatives Young, of No. 35 ; Brown, of No. 3 ; Gillie, of No. 19 ; Jorgenson, of No. 25, and Corrie, of No. 42, were nominated.

The ballot resulted as follows :

Whole number of votes cast.....	41
Necessary for a choice.....	21

Of which—

Representative Young, of No. 35, received.....	20
Representative Brown, of No. 3, received.....	7
Representative Gillie, of No. 19, received.....	6
Representative Jorgenson, of No. 25, received.....	2
Representative Corrie, of No. 42, received.....	6

The name of Representative Jorgenson was withdrawn and also, by consent, the name of Representative Corrie.

SECOND BALLOT.

Whole number of votes cast.....	41
Necessary for a choice.....	21

Of which—

Representative Young, of No. 35, received.....	27
Representative Brown, of No. 3, received.....	9
Representative Gillie, of No. 19, received.....	4
Spoiled.....	1



And Representative Young, of No. 35, having received a majority of all the votes cast was declared elected Grand Outer Guard.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the Scrutineers.

### INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

The Grand Lodge being ready for the installation of its officers, Past Grand Chancellor Davidson, assisted by Past Grand Chancellor McKellar, as Grand Prelate, and Past Grand Chancellor King as Grand Master-at-Arms, proceeded to perform that duty.

The following were reported as having been elected, and who were present :

W. E. RISEN, of No. 15.....	Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.
R. H. MCCONNELL, of No. 12.....	Grand Chancellor.
W. C. MACDONALD, of No. 30.....	Grand Vice Chancellor.
WM. HILL, of No. 22.....	Grand Prelate.
GEO. H. MITCHELL, of No. 1.....	Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.
D. J. PEACE, of No. 3.....	Grand Master of Exchequer.
A. A. ALEXANDER, of No. 30.....	Grand Master-at-Arms.
R. POULTON, of No. 36.....	Grand Inner Guard.
H. E. YOUNG, of No. 35.....	Grand Outer Guard.

They were then duly and regularly installed as the Grand Officers of the Grand Lodge of Ontario for the ensuing year.

The Grand Chancellor announced that he would appoint the standing committees and furnish the names to the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. for publication in the Journal.

Representative Wallace, of No. 1, from the Committee on Finance, presented the following report on expenses of Officers and Representatives :

## REPORT No. 3, OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Your Committee on Finance begs leave to submit the following report on Expenses of Officers and Representatives :

NAMES.	OFFICE OR LODG.	No. OF DAYS.	HOTEL.	RAILWAY	TOTAL.
J. B. Davidson	S. P. G. C.	3	\$4 50	\$5 60	\$10 10
W. E. Rispen	G. C.	3	4 50	2 50	7 00
B. S. Van Tuyl	G. V. C.	3	4 50	3 10	7 60
W. C. Macdonald	G. P.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
Geo. H. Mitchell	G. K. R. S.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
D. J. Peace	G. M. E.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
W. C. Mapledoram	G. M. A.	3	4 50	30 50	35 00
W. C. Smith	G. I. G.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
R. Poulton	G. O. G.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
J. S. King	S. R.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
P. D. McKellar	S. R.	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
Thos. Shortiss	I	3	4 50	2 00	6 50
C. H. Wallis	I	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
R. A. Carrothers	2	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
F. T. C. Richardson	2	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
J. L. Brown	3	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
J. Chapman	3	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
J. Burns	3	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
W. L. Bemister	3	3	4 50	5 00	9 50
A. J. Rattray	4	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
E. Beeton	4	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
J. Y. Murdoch	6	3	4 50	6 25	10 75
A. G. McWhinney	6	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
H. A. Plastow	10	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
R. H. McConnell	10	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
R. H. McConnell	12	3	4 50	5 60	10 10
J. A. Stacey	12	3	4 50	5 60	10 10
W. H. Robinson	15	3	4 50	2 50	7 00
Thos. McWhinney	16	3	4 50	.....	4 50
C. Endress	17	3	4 50	3 10	7 60
A. K. Sturgeon	17	3	4 50	3 10	7 60
W. J. Cluff	18	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
A. A. Gillie	19	3	4 50	34 05	38 55
W. A. Murrell	20	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
A. B. Armstrong	20	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
Wm. Hill	22	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
F. Whittaker	22	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
T. Jorgenson	25	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
M. P. Huffman	25	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
*G. C. Fowlie	28	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
R. A. Bennett	28	3	4 50	18 70	23 20
A. A. Alexander	28	3	4 50	17 70	22 20
J. F. Gray	30	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
S. J. Southcott	30	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
H. E. Young	33	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
	35	3	.....	.....	.....

REPORT No. 3, OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE—Continued.

NAMES.	OFFICE OR LODGE.	NO. OF DAYS.	HOTEL.	RAILWAY	TOTAL.
D. W. Mason.....	35				
Thos. Elliott.....	36	3	\$4 50	\$9 25	\$13 75
E. J. McRobert.....	37	3	4 50	5 70	10 20
T. C. Kennedy.....	37	3	4 50	5 70	10 20
A. F. Robb.....	38	1 3/4	2 65	4 95	7 60
Wm. Pears.....	39	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
R. J. Leigh.....	39	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
J. H. Lambert.....	40	2	3 00	3 50	6 50
Jno. Easton.....	40	2	3 00	3 50	6 50
A. Elliott.....	41	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
E. K. Barnsdale.....	42	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
Fred. J. Corrie.....	42	3	4 50	4 25	8 75
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\*Representative Fowle, of No. 28, purchased through ticket to London which cost him \$23.95, but we have only allowed him \$18.70, this being the rate to Toronto from which point excursion rates were made.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. McCONNELL, of No. 12.

J. L. BROWN, of No. 3.

C. H. WALLIS, of No. 1.

The report was adopted, and a warrant ordered for the expenses of Officers and Representatives.

The Grand Lodge was then closed in regular form at 4.30 o'clock p.m., to meet in the City of Hamilton, on the second Tuesday in July, 1895.

*Geo. H. Elliot*

Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.



## APPENDIX.

### *Roster of the Grand Lodge, 1894-5.*

#### GRAND OFFICERS.

- R. H. McConnell, of No. 12, St. Thomas..Grand Chancellor.  
 W. E. Rispen, of No. 15, Chatham.....Sitting Past Grand Chancellor.  
 W. C. Macdonald, of No. 30, Toronto....Grand Vice Chancellor.  
 Wm. Hill, of No. 22, London.....Grand Prelate.  
 Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1, Toronto.....Grand Keeper of Records and Seal.  
 D. J. Peace, of No. 3, Hamilton.....Grand Master of Exchequer.  
 A. A. Alexander, of No. 30, Toronto....Grand Master at-Arms.  
 R. Poulton, of No. 36, Brantford.....Grand Inner Guard.  
 H. E. Young, of No. 35, Windsor.....Grand Outer Guard.

#### SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.

- J. S. King, of No. 1, Toronto .....Term ending December 31st, 1895.  
 P. D. McKellar, of No. 15, Chatham.....Term ending December 31st, 1897.

#### PAST GRAND CHANCELLORS.

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|----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Geo. H. Mitchell, of No. 1.      | A. J. Rattray, of No. 4.   |
| A. Gardner, of No. 10.           | Jesse Chapman, of No. 3.   |
| W. C. Morrison, of No. 1.        | P. D. McKellar, of No. 15. |
| D. J. Peace, of No. 3.           | W. J. Vale, of No. 3.      |
| Rt. Rev. B. B. Ussher, of No. 1. | P. H. Drayton, of No. 25.  |
| John S. King, M.D., of No. 25.   | R. H. Jarvis, of No. 25.   |
| F. J. Fitzgerald, of No. 22.     | J. B. Davidson, of No. 12. |
|                                  | W. E. Rispen, of No. 15.   |

#### *Provincial Deputy and Inspector:*

- T. L. BRODERICK, 19 Elm Grove Avenue, Toronto.

**DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND CHANCELLORS.**

- No. 1 District, County of York. . . . . A. B. Armstrong, Toronto.  
Comprising Lodges No. 1, 4, 6, 18, 20, 25, 30, 39, 41.
- No. 2 " County of Wentworth. . . . . John Burns, Hamilton.  
Comprising Lodges No. 3 and 31.
- No. 3 " County of Middlesex. . . . . R. Cadwallader, London.  
Comprising Lodges No. 2, 10, 22, 33, 37.
- No. 4 " County of Kent. . . . .  
Comprising lodges No. 9 and 15.
- No. 5 " County of Essex. . . . . F. Neal, Sandwich.  
Comprising Lodges No. 16 and 35.
- No. 6 Algoma District. . . . .  
Comprising (a) Lodge No. 11, (b) Lodge No. 14, (c) Lodge No. 19.
- No. 7 Thunder Bay District. . . . . R. R. Revealey, Fort William.  
Comprising Lodges No. 5 and 13.
- No. 8 District County of Elgin. . . . . M. J. Baker, St. Thomas.  
Comprising Lodge No. 12.
- No. 9 " County of Lincoln. . . . .  
Comprising Lodge No. 23.
- No. 10 " County of Simcoe. . . . .  
Comprising Lodge No. 7.
- No. 11 " County of Halton. . . . .  
Comprising Lodge No. 27.
- No. 12 " County of Lanark. . . . . G. C. Fowlie, Smiths' Falls.  
Comprising Lodge No. 28.
- No. 15 " County of Lambton. . . . . J. Y. Easton, Sarnia.  
Comprising Lodges No. 17, 34, 40.
- No. 16 " Counties of Huron and Bruce.  
Comprising Lodge No. 32.
- No. 18 " County of Perth. . . . .  
Comprising Lodge No. 42.
- No. 19 " County of Brant. . . . . L. Secord, M.D., Brantford.  
Comprising Lodge No. 36.
- No. 20 " County of Waterloo. . . . . A. F. Robb, Galt.  
Comprising Lodge No. 38.

For Blank Districts, appointments not yet made.  
No. 6 District, subdivided on account of extreme distances.

**GRAND LODGE COMMITTEES, 1894-1895.****LAW AND SUPERVISION :**

A. J. Rattray, No. 25 ; A. B. Armstrong, No. 20 ; J. F. Gray, No. 30.

**APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES :**

R. A. Carrothers, No. 2 ; F. Whittaker, No. 22 ; D. C. Kennedy, No. 37.

**FINANCE :**

C. H. Wallis, of No. 1 ; John Burns, of No. 3 ; J. Stacey, of No. 12.

**STATE OF THE ORDER :**

R. A. Bennett, of No. 28 ; D. W. Mason, of No. 35 ; Thos. Elliott of No. 36.

**PRINTING :**

M. P. Huffman, of No. 25 ; J. Y. Murdoch, of No. 6 ; R. J. Leigh, of No. 39.

**CREDENTIALS AND RETURNS :**

A. K. Sturgeon, of No. 17 ; A. F. Robb, of No. 38 ; J. Easton, of No. 40.

**SESSIONS OF THE GRAND LODGE.**

Institution .....	Toronto.....	April 9th, 1872.
Special .....	Toronto.....	May 30th, 1872.
Second .....	Hamilton .....	June 25th, 1873.
Third .....	Chatham .....	" 3rd, 1874.
Fourth .....	Toronto.....	" 2nd, 1875.
Fifth.....	London .....	" 7th, 1876.
Sixth.....	Sarnia .....	" 12th, 1877.
Seventh .....	Hamilton .....	" 11th, 1878.
Eighth .....	Windsor .....	" 10th, 1879.
Ninth.....	London .....	" 8th, 1880.
Tenth.....	Toronto.....	" 14th, 1881.
Eleventh .....	St. Catharines .....	" 13th, 1882.
Twelfth .....	Hamilton .....	" 12th, 1883.
Thirteenth .....	Windsor .....	" 10th, 1884.
Fourteenth .....	London .....	" 9th, 1885.
Fifteenth .....	Toronto.....	July 12th, 1886.
Sixteenth .....	Hamilton .....	June 14th, 1887.
Seventeenth .....	Owen Sound.....	" 5th, 1888.
Eighteenth .....	Chatham .....	July 2nd, 1889.
Nineteenth .....	Smith's Falls .....	June 10th, 1890.
Twentieth .....	London.....	" 9th, 1891.
Twenty-first .....	St. Thomas.....	" 14th, 1892.
Twenty-second .....	Petrolia .....	" 13th, 1893.
Twenty-third .....	Windsor .....	August 21st, 1894.



### ROLL OF LODGES AND PAST CHANCELLORS IN ONTARIO.

Those in italics have not received the Grand Lodge Rank.

#### Mystic Lodge, No. 1, Toronto.

Instituted Feb. 22nd, 1872. Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday. P.O. Address, Pythian Hall.

Abbott, Chas.	McConkey, Thos.	Shortiss, Thos.
<i>Armstrong, Jos.</i>	McMorran, E.	Townsend, Wm.
Bronson, J. H.	Oliver, Robt.	Villiers, R. J.
Caiger, R. H.	<i>Parker, T. Y.</i>	Wilson, T. W.
<i>Deverall, Chas.</i>	Pyke, E. W.	Wallis, C. H.
Leslie, J. E.	Sparks, A. J.	Wilkie, Geo.
Morrison, Wm.		

#### Myrtle Lodge, No. 2, London.

Instituted Feb. 23rd, 1872. Meets every Tuesday.

Bloomgarden, Samuel.	Graham, Jos.	Parkinson, T. A.
Brown, Wm.	Galpin, E. B.	Richardson, F. T. C.
<i>Catwallader, R.</i>	Kidner, Chas.	Williams, Jno.
Carrothers, R. A.		

#### Red Cross Lodge, No. 3, Hamilton.

Instituted Feb. 26th, 1872. Meets every Monday. P.O. Address, 9 Hilton St.

Aitchison, A. W.	<i>Faulkner, R. J.</i>	Macleod, J. P.
Attwood, C. W.	<i>Ford, W. H.</i>	Massie, Wm.
Beasley, Thos. S.	<i>Hedenburg, J. V.</i>	Midgley, Geo.
Burns, John.	Irwin, R.	McKay, Alex.
Brown, J. L.	Johnson, Hy.	<i>McLean, Hugh.</i>
Childs, W. H.	Knott, Ed.	Pedlar, Thos.
Curtis, C.	Lumsden, W. W.	<i>Phibbs, Geo. D.</i>
Dunnett, Geo.		

#### Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 4, Toronto.

Instituted March 20th, 1872. Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday. P.O. Address, Pythian Hall.

<i>Alexander, J.</i>	Halk S. E.	Smith, G. B.
Bemister, W. L.	<i>Joyce, Wm.</i>	Thomson A. S.
<i>Dean, R. W.</i>	Scholes, J. F.	Thomson, Geo.
<i>Gerald, W. J.</i>	Simpson, J. D.	

**Crusader Lodge, No. 5, Fort Arthur.**

Instituted at Collingwood, April 2nd, 1872.

Meets every Tuesday.

Cooke, W. P.  
Holder, Geo.*Smith, J. A.*  
*Smith, W. J.**Spofford, R. G.***Damon Lodge, No. 6, Toronto.**

Instituted March 19th, 1891. Meets 2nd and 4th Monday. P.O. Address, Box 20, Parkdale.

Baker, S. W.  
Beeton, E.

Murdoch, J. Y.

Oakley, A. F.

**Minerva Lodge, No. 7, Orillia.**

Instituted July 4th, 1872.

Now Dormant.

*Beaton, A. H.*  
*Elliott, C. S.**Thompson, J. B.**Wright, O. T.***Rokeby Lodge, No. 9, Wallaceburg.**

Instituted March 22nd, 1883.

Meets every Thursday.

*Dobie, D.*  
*Gillard, T. B.**McDonald, W. J.*  
Stevens, E.

Wooliver, W. S.

**Prospect Lodge, No. 10, London.**

Instituted June 28th, 1889.

Meets every Monday.

Graydon, N. P.  
*McIntosh, A. D. F.*McWhinney, A. G.  
Plastow, H. A.

Webb, S. A.

**Algoma Lodge, No. 11, Sault Ste. Marie.**

Instituted August 2nd, 1875.

Meets every Monday.

*Albon, W.*  
Biggings, E.  
*Brown, W.**Dubois, H.*  
*Hughes, F. J.*  
*Jenkins, Jno.**Taylor, Geo. H.*  
*Turner, W.***Rathbone Lodge, No. 12, St. Thomas.**

Instituted Feb. 20th, 1890.

Meets every Tuesday.

Baker, M. J.  
Bell, J. A.Broderick, T. L.  
McConnell, R. H.Robertson, J. S.  
Stacey, J.**Aurora Lodge No. 13, Fort William.**

Instituted at Silver Islet, Feb. 7th, 1876.

Meets every Wednesday.

*Barow, W. H.*  
*Graham, T. H.*Mapledoram, W. C.  
*Reaveley, R. R.**Ross, Geo.*  
*Wells, J. J.*

**Olive Lodge, No. 14, Bruce Mines.**

Instituted May 20th, 1890.

Meets every Wednesday.

Knight, John.

*Sniever, Fred.**Wightman, W.**Smyth, W. R.***Marmion Lodge, No. 15, Chatham.**

Instituted May 23rd, 1876.

Meets 1st and 3rd Monday.

*Douglas, G. B.*

Mercer R.

*Stephenson, S.*

Mercer, H.

Robinson, W. H.

Taylor, W. H.

**Friendship Lodge, No. 16, Windsor.**

Instituted Oct. 26th, 1876.

Meets every Monday.

P.O. Box 325.

Ashdown, C. H.

*Forsch, John.*

McWhinney, Thos.

Bangham, R.

Grosscup, J. A.

Neal, Fred.

Blackwood, John.

Morgan, J. G.

Robinson, C. H.

Fleming, A. H.

McNally, Geo.

**Petrolia Lodge, No. 17, Petrolia.**

Instituted Jan. 27th, 1891.

Meets 1st and 3rd Monday.

Endress, C.

Sturgeon, A. K.

VanTuyt, G. E.

Pitkin, G. S.

VanTuyt, B. S.

**Queen City Lodge, No. 18, Toronto.**

Instituted July 31st, 1891.

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday.

P.O. Address, Pythian Hall.

Carkeek, W. J.

Knox, A. A.

*Shannessey, W. M.*

Cluff, W. J.

*Mitchell, Jas.***Meniss Lodge, No. 19, Chapleau.**

Instituted Dec. 12th, 1891.

Meets every Wednesday.

*Corrie, J.**Hicks, S.**McTavish, D.*

Gillie, A.

*McIntyre, C. C.**Ogilvie, Wm.***Amicus Lodge, No. 20, Toronto.**

Instituted Feb. 15th, 1893.

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday.

P.O. Address, St. George's Hall.

Armstrong, A. B.

Fox, W. H.

Murrell, W. A.

*Arnold, Hy.***Mizpah Lodge, No. 22, London.**

Instituted Feb. 19th, 1884.

Meets every Friday.

Case, B. S.

*Jarvis, C. E.*

McInnis, J. A.

English, W. M.

*Mitchell, T. F.*

Whittaker, F.

Hill Wm.

**Perseverance Lodge, No. 23, St. Catharines,**

Instituted Dec. 18th, 1885.

Meets every Friday.

Baker, A. K.	England, C. E.	<i>Iuffs, B. J.</i>
Daft, R.	<i>Harris, W. H.</i>	Leubsdorf, B. J.

**Ontario Lodge, No. 25, Toronto.**

Instituted July 8th, 1886. Meets 2nd and 4th Friday. P.O. Address, Pythian Hall.

Huffman, M. P.	<i>Peel, H.</i>
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**Native Valley Lodge, No. 27, Georgetown.**

Instituted Dec. 17th, 1886.

Now Dormant.

<i>Newton, J. M.</i>	Roe, W. J.	<i>Webster, S.</i>
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**Dufferin Lodge, No. 28, Smith's Falls.**

Instituted Feb. 15th, 1887.

Meets every Thursday.

Bennett, R. A.	<i>Spencer, Geo.</i>	<i>Washburn, J. A.</i>
Fowlie, G. C.		

**Toronto Lodge, No. 30, Toronto.**

Instituted Sept. 29th, 1887.

Meets 1st and 3rd Friday.

P.O. Address, Cor. Spadina Ave. and Queen St.

Alexander, A. A.	Gray, J. F.	Soole, Thomas.
Bedingfield, Geo.	Macdonald, W. C.	Stutchbury, W. H.
Flett, Fred. W.		

**Bismarck Lodge, No. 31, Hamilton.**

Instituted April 21st, 1887.

Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday.

Belz, Adam.	Hatzfeld, L. E.	Stephany, H.
<i>Belz, Hy.</i>	<i>Lackner, A. E.</i>	

**Sicily Lodge, No. 32, Wingham.**

Instituted Dec. 8th, 1891.

Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday.

<i>Crawford, W.</i>	<i>McCormack, D.</i>	<i>Norris, J.</i>
Hiscock, J. H.		

**London Lodge, No. 33, London.**

Instituted March 2nd, 1892.

Meets 1st and 3rd Wednesday.

<i>Holland, Ed.</i>	Paul, John.	Southcott, S. J.
<i>Partridge, W. S.</i>	Smith, Wm.	

**Oil Springs Lodge, No. 34, Oil Springs.**

Instituted April 21st, 1892.

Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday.

Hanks, A. R.	Lawson, Wm.	<i>Whitehead, D.</i>
Jackson, S. G.		



REPRESENTATIVES TO THE SUPREME LODGE, AND OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO,  
FROM FIRST-ANNUAL SESSION TO 1894, INCLUSIVE.

YEAR.	SUPREME REPRESENTATIVES.	GRAND CHANCELLORS.	VICE-CHANCELLORS.	GRAND PRELATES.
1872.....	W. D. Kennedy.....	W. C. Morrison.....	J. B. How.....	Geo. W. Cooley.
1873.....	"	"	Geo. Midgley.....	J. P. Dinsmore.
1874.....	"	Colin H. Rose.....	W. Hawthorne.....	Geo. Midgley.
1875.....	Geo. H. Mitchell.....	"	"	Geo. Midgley.
1876.....	"	John S. King.....	P. D. McKellar.....	Geo. Smith.
1877.....	"	"	Geo. H. Leslie.....	F. Menger.
1878.....	"	"	J. H. Lumsden.....	E. H. Johnston.
1879.....	"	W. F. Taylor.....	A. J. Rattray.....	H. Bryant.
1880.....	"	A. H. Lumsden.....	F. Sanagan.....	F. Sanagan.
1881.....	"	A. J. Rattray.....	J. Chapman.....	P. A. Aikman.
1882.....	"	Jesse Chapman.....	R. Doodds.....	D. J. Peace.
1883.....	"	Geo. H. Leslie.....	W. Dougan.....	W. Dougan.
1884.....	"	P. J. Pearce.....	D. J. Peace.....	W. J. Vale.
1885.....	"	P. J. Pearce.....	W. Townsends.....	"
1886.....	"	P. J. Pearce.....	R. Bangham.....	"
1887.....	"	Jesse Chapman.....	"	"
1888.....	"	W. J. Vale.....	"	"
1889.....	"	P. S. King.....	I. W. Higinbotham.....	F. Fitzgerald.
1890.....	"	P. H. Mayton.....	L. E. Tate.....	L. E. Tate.
1891.....	"	P. D. McKellar.....	R. H. Jarvis.....	W. F. Sorley.
1892.....	"	R. H. Jarvis.....	W. Blackwood.....	J. P. Macleod.
1893.....	"	John S. King.....	W. E. Morphy.....	W. F. Morphy.
1894.....	"	Geo. H. Mitchell.....	W. E. Rispken.....	J. B. Davidson.
	"	Geo. H. Mitchell.....	W. E. Rispken.....	W. M. English.
	"	P. D. McKellar.....	B. S. Van Tuijl.....	W. C. Macdonald.
	"	R. H. McConnell.....	W. C. Macdonald.....	W. C. Macdonald.



1893..... John S. King  
 "..... W. E. Rippen  
 "..... B. S. Van Tuyl  
 1894..... P. D. McKellar  
 "..... R. H. McConnell  
 "..... W. C. Macdonald  
 "..... W. C. Macdonald  
 "..... W. Hill

GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

OFFICERS OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO, FROM FIRST ANNUAL SESSION TO 1894,  
 INCLUSIVE.—Continued.

YEAR.	GRAND K. R. S.	GRAND M. OF E.	GRAND M. AT A.	GRAND I. G.	GRAND O. G.
1872.	John Richmond	J. B. How	T. A. Robinson	R. Matthews	J. J. Brown
1873	Geo. H. Mitchell	"	Jas. Kough	J. G. Brown	J. McPherson
1874.	"	"	J. McPherson	A. J. Rattray	L. Hamberger
1875.	"	"	J. M. Smith	"	H. Finley
1876	"	"	A. J. Rattray	"	C. Frink
1877.	"	"	W. H. Rooks	W. H. Rooks	W. Smellie
1878.	"	"	J. Chapman	J. Chapman	J. P. Secord
1879.	"	"	W. A. P. Thompson	W. Williams	E. C. Jackson
1880.	"	"	P. A. Aikman	J. Koubough	I. H. Harris
1881.	"	"	D. J. Peace	G. W. Plastow	R. Dodds
1882	"	"	F. Campbell	Geo. Fatey	J. McDonald
1883	"	"	W. J. Vale	P. Burroughs	F. J. Fitzgerald
1884	"	"	S. E. Hall	J. McDonald	John Kay
1885	"	"	R. Bangham	F. J. Fitzgerald	T. S. Bunsley
1886	"	"	F. J. Fitzgerald	John Kay	J. H. Chaperon
1887	"	"	T. S. Bunsley	J. D. Simpson	Jas. Bradley
1888	"	"	B. G. Davis	J. H. Chaperon	A. McNaughton
1889	"	"	J. Blackwood	J. Bradley	H. Mercer
1890.	"	"	H. F. Duck	G. C. Fowle	R. Irwin
1891	"	"	G. C. Fowle	J. Fitzgerald	W. C. Mapletoram
1892.	"	"	D. J. Peace	R. Irwin	W. W. Pyke
1893	"	"	W. J. Carkeek	W. C. Mapletoram	R. Poulton
1894.	"	"	W. C. Mapletoram	Wm. Smith	H. E. Young
	"	"	A. A. Alexander	R. Poulton	

## STATEMENT

Showing the totals of the Debit and Credit sides of all Accounts in the Ledger,  
and the Balances, July 31st, 1894.

Folio.	ACCOUNTS.	Face of Ledger.		Balances, July, 31st, 1894.	
		Dr.	Cr.	Dr.	Cr.
		\$ c	\$ c	\$ c	\$ c
1	Stock .....		1467 76		1467 76
4	Cash .....	2630 89	1397 43	1233 46	
15	Supplies .....	625 15	399 40	225 75	
50	Misc. Expenses .....	1043 50	1043 50		
60	Profit and Loss .....	1498 50	1498 50		
80	Per Capita .....	1729 81	1729 81		
90	Mystic Lodge, M. J. ....	12 05		12 05	
	Geo. H. Leslie .....	4 00		4 00	
	Minerva Lodge .....		9 52		9 52
	Maple .....		1 78		1 78
	Rienzi .....	106 09	106 09		
91	Oshawa .....	48 70	48 70		
	Native Valley .....	48 80		48 80	
	Inglewood .....	55 97	55 97		
	Almont .....	4 25		4 25	
	Sicily .....	4 00		4 00	
94	Supreme .....	438 66	438 66		
100	Mystic .....	96 90	122 50		25 60
106	Myrtle .....	47 50	72 75		25 25
112	Red Cross .....	157 00	236 05		79 05
118	Ivanhoe .....	99 45	48 00	51 45	
122	Crusader .....	41 00	38 00	3 00	
126	Rokeby .....	93 30	79 50	13 80	
130	Prospect .....	80 50	76 50	4 00	
134	Algoma .....	56 50	58 55		2 05
138	Rathbone .....	66 25	95 50		29 25
142	Aurora .....	173 05	98 30	74 75	
146	Olive .....	55 75	30 15	25 60	
150	Marmion .....	43 25	62 25		19 00
154	Friendship .....	68 05	67 50	55	
158	Petrolia .....	60 00	86 00		26 00
162	Queen City .....	77 70	112 70		35 00
166	Meniss .....	115 90	87 05	28 85	
170	Amicus .....	60 50	61 25		75
172	Mizpah .....	89 75	127 00		37 25
176	Perseverance .....	3 30	12 75		9 45
180	Ontario .....	41 00	58 75		17 75
184	Dufferin .....	30 75	30 50	25	
188	Damon .....	146 05	88 50	57 55	
192	Toronto .....	108 95	138 50		29 55
196	Bismarck .....	42 00	81 00		39 00
200	London .....	79 25	39 25	40 00	
204	Windsor .....	41 00	41 00		
208	Calanthe .....	55 25	42 25	13 00	
210	Columbian .....	23 00	22 50	50	
212	Galt .....	23 50	23 50		
214	Syracuse .....	17 50	8 50	9 00	
216	Johnston .....	19 50	19 50		
218	Philos .....	50 00	50 00		
220	Hamlet .....	50 00	50 00		
		10463 77	10463 77	1854 61	1854 61

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1894

GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

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DR. PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

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FOLIO			FOLIO		
		\$ c			\$ c.
90	Rienzi Lodge.....	84 09	8	Cash.....	24 64
50	Mdse. Expenses.....	967 22	98	Oshawa Lodge.....	48 70
1	To Stock.....	678 50	15	Inglewood Lodge.....	55 97
			60	Supplies.....	102 00
				G. L. Tax.....	1498 50
		1729 81			1729 81

DR. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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FOLIO		ASSETS.		FOLIO		LIABILITIES.	
			\$ c				\$ c
D. B.				90	Minerva Lodge..	9 52	
16	Stock on hand.....	225 75			Maple ..	1 78	
L.				100	Mystic ..	25 60	
4	Cash .....	1233 46		106	Myrtle ..	25 25	
90	Mystic Lodge, M. J.	12 05		112	Red Cross ..	79 65	
	George H. Leslie...	4 00		134	Algoma ..	2 05	
91	Native Val. Lodge..	48 80		138	Rathbone ..	29 25	
	Almont ..	4 25		150	Marmion ..	19 00	
118	Sicily ..	4 00		158	Petrolia ..	26 00	
122	Ivanhoe ..	51 45		162	Queen City ..	35 00	
126	Crusader ..	3 00		170	Amicus ..	75	
130	Rokeby ..	13 80		172	Mizpah ..	37 25	
142	Prospect ..	4 00		176	Persever'ce ..	9 45	
154	Aurora ..	74 75		180	Ontario ..	17 75	
166	Friendship ..	55		192	Toronto ..	29 55	
184	Meniss ..	28 85		196	Bismarck ..	39 00	
188	Dufferin ..	25		1	By Stock .....	1467 76	
200	Damon ..	57 55					
208	London ..	40 00					
210	Calanthe ..	13 00					
214	Columbian ..	50					
	Syracuse ..	9 00					
		1854 61					1854 61



GRAND LODGE OF ONTARIO.

NUMERICAL STATEMENT FOR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1893.

LODGES.	No.	LOCATION.	INCREASE.			DECREASE.			RANK.				Total			
			Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn	Suspended.	Deceased.	Total	Present No. Members.	P. G. C.	P. C.		Knights.	Esquires.	Pages.
Calatine	24	39 Brantford.	6	4	10	1	22	2	25	74	3	17	53	1	74	
Columbian	18	37 London.	1	1	2	4	4	4	41	148	3	21	122	2	148	
Galt	38	38 Galt	16	1	17	1	2	2	45	14	29	1	45	1	45	
Syracuse	39	39 Toronto Junction	16	2	18	10	9	9	34	5	27	2	34	1	34	
Johnston	40	40 Sarnia	15	2	17	9	9	9	73	4	60	0	73	1	73	
	1597	1884	17	15	316	25	82	6	113	1610	14	1215	1307	33	41	1610
Mystic	1	Toronto	3	3	3	1	22	2	25	74	3	17	53	1	74	
Myrtle	44	2 London.	1	1	2	1	4	4	4	41	3	21	122	2	148	
Red Cross	3	3 Hamilton	6	6	6	2	2	2	45	14	29	1	45	1	45	
Irvinghoe	4	4 Toronto.	1	1	1	10	11	11	34	5	27	2	34	1	34	
Crusader	5	5 Fort Arthur	3	3	3	9	9	9	73	4	60	0	73	1	73	
Damon	6	6 Toronto.	5	5	5	10	10	10	22	3	14	4	22	3	22	
Mineva	7	7 Orillia	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	75	5	65	3	75		
Rokely	9	9 Wallaceburg	2	2	2	4	4	4	4	72	1	65	1	72		
Prospect	10	10 London	2	2	2	4	4	4	51	7	44	1	51	5	51	
Algoma	11	11 Sault Ste. Marie.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	58	1	6	50	1	58	
Kathbone	12	12 St. Thomas	4	4	4	1	1	1	50	6	50	1	50	1	50	
Aurora	13	13 Fort William	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	56	4	40	1	56		
Alive	50	14 Bruce Mines.	4	4	4	1	1	1	1	56	4	40	1	56		
Marmon	15	15 Chatham	6	6	6	1	1	1	1	56	4	40	1	56		
Friendship	33	16 Windsor	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	56	4	40	1	56		
Petrolia	52	17 Petrolia	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	54	12	42	1	54		
Queen City	54	18 Toronto.	5	5	5	8	8	8	8	46	5	41	5	46		
Mennis	43	19 Chapleau.	5	5	5	2	9	11	58	1	58	4	48	2	40	
Amicus	20	20 Toronto.	10	10	10	3	3	3	4	75	8	65	2	75		
Mizpah	22	22 London.	5	5	5	1	1	1	1	22	6	16	2	22		
Perseverance	23	23 St. Catharines	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	28	3	21	2	28		
Ontario	25	25 Toronto	4	4	4	10	10	10	10	29	3	27	2	29		
Native Valley	27	27 Georgetown	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	29	3	27	2	29		
Dufferin	28	28 Smith's Falls	1	1	1	10	10	10	10	24	5	21	5	24		
Toronto	30	30 Toronto	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	62	7	62	3	62		
Sichly	31	31 Hamilton	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	75	4	31	3	75		
London	32	32 Wingham	1	1	1	3	3	3	3	10	4	12	4	10		
Oil Springs	33	33 Oil Springs	1	1	1	4	4	4	4	27	5	22	2	27		
Windsor	34	34 Windsor	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	15	4	13	4	15		
Calanthe	35	35 Brantford.	6	6	6	2	1	1	3	38	5	31	1	38		
Columbian	36	36 London.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	19	4	14	1	19		
Galt	38	38 Galt	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	26	4	19	1	26		
Syracuse	39	39 Toronto Junction.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	4	14	1	18		
Johnston	40	40 Sarnia	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	21	2	18	1	21		
	1610	90	5	6	101	13	97	5	115	1596	14	210	1305	25	42	1596
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RECEIPTS OF LODGES TO JUNE 30TH, 1893.

Lodge No.	Page	Esquire	Knight	Reinstatement	Admitted by Card	Withdrawal Cards	Dues	Rent	Interest	Donations	Entertainments	Supplies	Total Receipts
1	3	6 00	12 00	7 00			193 60	240 35	4 36	6 00			466 31
2	28	24 00	21 00				131 05	95 85					305 00
3	72	36 00	36 00	14 00	6 00	2 00	377 00						543 00
4	11	8 00	8 00	6 00			89 50						116 15
5	39	12 00	8 00			2 00	129 90					5 00	186 00
6	42	39 00	30 00				109 75		4 46				213 21
9	42	27 00	40 00	12 00			129 60			8 00	19 50		278 10
10	24	18 00	18 00		2 00	1 00	209 75	345 49					618 24
11	11	10 00	15 00	12 00	1 00	1 00	161 50		4 18				203 68
12			4 00				144 45		2 80				215 25
13			5 00			4 00	96 00				15 12	37 50	203 87
14	10	8 00	8 00	6 00			194 60						220 60
15	5	3 00	4 00	24 00			157 20						193 20
16				9 00									221 49
17	24	12 00	24 00				115 26	89 25	6 98				165 70
18													241 66
19	25	20 00	20 00		3 00		124 70		4 29			4 75	167 39
20	117	81 00	92 00		4 00		11 50					52 67	305 50
22	16	9 00	6 00			2 00	264 85		5 72			0 80	304 37
23													146 00
25	21	21 00	22 00				79 00						163 63
28							63 00	32 50	6 13				289 61
30	25	21 00	21 00	30 00		2 00	201 80		3 81		17 00		116 70
31	12	3 00	3 00						4 20				113 60
33	8	3 00	6 00				94 50			4 00	5 10		136 40
35	8	3 00	6 00				87 50						139 80
36	25	21 00	30 00				66 30						72 50
37	25	21 00	15 00		8 00		70 80						204 00
38	8	6 00	6 00				52 50						184 00
39	90	57 00	57 00				18 00						158 00
40	85	48 00	32 00		1 00								
	71	51 00	32 00		4 00								
	815	560 00	577 00	90 00	29 00	20 00	3626 11	805 44	46 93	18 00	56 72	100 72	6742 92

RECEIPTS OF LODGES TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1893.

Lodge No.	Page	Esquire	Knight	Reinstatement	Admitted by Card	Withdrawal Cards	Dues	Rent	Interest	Donations	Entertainments	Supplies	Total
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RECEIPTS OF LODGES TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1893.

LODGE No.	PAGE	ESQUIRE.	KNIGHTS.	Reinstatement-ments.	Admitted by Card.	Withdrawal Cards.	DUES.	RENT.	Interest.	Donations.	Entertainments.	Supplies.	TOTAL RECEIPTS.
1	15 00	8 00	6 00		1 00	1 00	302 40	359 60	0 62				692 62
2	3 00	3 00	3 00				124 02	83 85					213 87
3	30 00	22 00	18 00				477 60						547 60
4	5 00	10 00	2 00	6 00	2 00	29 25	61 10	27 00					144 25
5	15 00	3 00	24 00	7 00		191 55			2 93				115 18
9	20 00	9 00	6 00			149 95							230 48
10						232 25	284 25						184 95
11	4 00	5 00	5 00	12 00	4 00	126 30			17 25	1 30			517 86
12	28 00	16 00	12 00		1 00	152 05			6 60				173 55
13						91 30	45 00						215 65
14	25 00	16 00	12 00			134 00							136 30
15	10 00	6 00	2 00			69 50							187 00
16						170 00	59 50		5 26				87 50
17						105 36							235 76
18	15 00	9 00	12 00			161 65							105 56
19	35 00	45 00	45 00		2 00	180 73			5 60				223 45
20	30 00	21 00	32 00		3 00	86 00			2 97		8 20	10 00	319 70
22	20 00	18 00	12 00	7 00		212 05							169 00
23						48 00			5 58		9 75		284 38
25	25 00	12 00	12 00	6 00									103 00
27						66 85	15 00		5 83				87 68
28						172 30							220 30
30	20 00	11 50	7 50		1 00	115 50			3 38				136 88
31	5 00	6 50	6 50			82 08							106 48
33	4 00	6 00	6 00			93 00					7 50		130 90
35	19 00	9 00	9 00			123 15							184 15
36	29 00	12 00	18 00		2 00	38 88							35 55
37	4 00					33 00							158 88
38	40 00	15 00	9 00		1 00	39 00							38 00
39		3 00	2 00			33 00							72 00
40	15 00	7 00	11 00			39 00							5953 29
432 00	270 00	272 00	272 00	38 00	7 00	15 00	3952 32	874 20	56 02	1 30	25 45	10 00	5953 29

815 00	560 00	577 00	90 00	29 00	4 00	3626 11	805 44	46 93	18 00	56 72	100 72	6742 92	158 00
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EXPENDITURE OF LODGES FOR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31ST, 1893.

Lodge No.	Per Capita Tax.	Rent, Light, Heat and Taxes.	Supplies.	Salaries.	Printing, Stationery, Advertising.	Postage, Telegrams, Express.	Furniture and Paraphernalia.	Entertainment.	Sundries.	Sick Benefits.	Funeral Benefits.	W. & O. Benefits.	Other Relief.	Total Expenses.			
1	\$49 53	\$49 53			\$2 90	\$10 20	\$13 00		\$33 30	30 00	\$40 00		\$29 50	\$625 93			
2	21 00	85 40	1 25	61 73	3 25	1 31	10 02							21 00	234 96		
3	99 40	50 00		45 03	8 25	8 63		41 75		164 00			74 00	511 03			
4	23 00	15 00	1 00	6 00	0 85			4 40				20 00		20 00	70 25		
5	32 00	16 13	32 13		3 30	3 00	7 32		69 00			20 00		20 00	130 88		
6	81 25	17 50	4 50	3 50	24 05	7 84	26 45	10 00	3 00	5 00			28 50	148 70			
9	38 00	26 10	5 00		3 00	1 40	17 81	20 90	5 00	36 00			25 00	203 81			
10	53 50	25 00	1 75	21 00	34 00	3 39	167 21		116 67	104 00		20 00	35 00	597 06			
11	26 00	40 15			2 00	7 68	17 60								357 56		
13	24 50	65 00	18 35		10 50	1 50	30 00					15 00	10 00	174 85	323 43		
14	26 00	20 50			0 75	4 85									81 35		
15	16 50	30 00		19 00	0 75					30 00			79 50	120 75	180 75		
16	27 50	29 19	0 75							70 00	17 50	100 00			204 69		
17	32 70	36 00			2 50	4 55	8 21	29 62							109 53		
19	21 50	50 00	12 37		2 50	1 50		65 82	16 00	33 14			64 75	262 41	262 41		
20	17 50	38 00			10 35	3 90	5 00	11 00	9 40	25 00			30 10	119 77	119 77		
22	36 50	39 00	12 00	32 00	15 25	3 95	26 50	10 00	9 40	25 00			30 10	167 85	167 85		
23	14 00	36 00	13 50	12 00	2 25	37 00		9 90	5 00	61 50	40 00	100 00	33 45	373 65	373 65		
25										4 50					26 00	123 52	
27		135 17															
28		37 50	1 00	6 00	2 25	9 00	2 50	19 40		54 80						189 97	189 97
30	18 50	25 00				3 19				20 00						38 50	136 15
31				12 50												17 00	76 10
32				26 00			6 40										
33	13 50	15 00			13 10	5 55											
34																	
35	17 00	37 50		1 75	2 23					16 00			55 73	151 28			
36	15 50	32 50	0 45	7 60	2 00	1 00	51 08	10 00	1 00								
37	9 00			3 50	3 00	0 26			11 50	29 00	40 00	100 00	40 22	109 70			
38	10 50	15 00			14 25		15 00		2 00				3 50	290 63			
39	8 50	4 00					14 85										
40	9 00		4 00		13 65	6 40		24 07	7 75	7 00							
	767 00	2682 17	108 05	247 58	175 33	99 47	418 25	256 86	279 62	716 94	137 50	375 00	611 75	5875 52			

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LODGES FOR THE YEAR 1893.

LODGE.	No.	Balance Dec. 31st 1892	Receipts.	Expended.	BALANCES DEC. 31ST, 1893.			Value of Furniture.	Total Assets.
					Benefit Fund.	General Fund.	Total.		
Mystic	1	\$295 16	\$1158 93	\$1236 85	\$108 62	\$217 24	\$2051 24	\$2268 48	
Myrtle	2	102 40	519 77	538 15	19 07	94 07	500 00	594 07	
Red Cross	3	2054 17	1090 60	165 72	671 05	1679 05	800 00	2479 05	
Ivanhoe	4	68 65	160 75	189 40	19 97	39 94	...	39 94	
Crusader	5	498 21	302 00	307 07	300 00	102 54	768 50	1171 04	
Dannon	6	235 94	449 09	440 68	84 24	244 95	149 45	394 40	
Minerva	7	74 05	...	74 05	...	...	...	...	
Rokely	9	271 29	403 05	433 51	150 00	300 83	100 00	400 83	
Prospect	10	68 73	130 04	1192 92	3 85	3 85	464 00	467 85	
Algoma	11	58 11	389 23	548 81	200 00	388 53	225 50	614 03	
Rathbone	12	287 20	419 32	235 63	235 50	471 09	198 66	669 75	
Aurora	13	202 52	241 30	496 55	3 77	7 27	377 15	639 67	
Olive	14	272 71	413 00	331 67	177 32	354 64	200 00	554 64	
Marmion	15	414 34	280 70	268 78	401 74	84 52	486 26	90 00	
Friendship	16	266 42	457 25	542 63	90 52	181 04	950 00	576 26	
Petrolia	17	259 46	271 32	277 65	126 57	253 13	175 00	1131 04	
Queen City	18	246 94	465 11	396 05	158 00	316 00	100 00	428 13	
Meniss	19	196 00	480 09	375 88	173 27	348 27	120 00	468 27	
Amicus	20	253 02	578 50	375 88	69 50	68 62	158 70	287 32	
Mizpah	22	46 48	588 75	612 99	173 43	228 78	250 00	478 78	
Perseverance	23	1 46	...	1 46	23 24	46 48	50 00	96 48	
Rienzi	24	1 46	...	1 46	...	...	...	...	
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MEMBERSHIP OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Numerical Statements attached to this Report.

Number of Members, January 1st, 1893.....	1507
Initiated during the year .....	274
Admitted by card .....	22
Reinstated .....	21
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>1824</b>

From which deduct:

Withdrawn during the year .....	38
Suspended .....	179
Died .....	11
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>228</b>

Total number of Members, December 31st, 1893 .....

1596

RANK.

Past Grand Chancellors .....	14
Past Chancellors.....	210
Knig hts.....	1305
Esquires .....	22
Pages.....	54

Total as above .....

1596

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FINANCES OF SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Taken from the Financial Statements attached to this Report.

Received from all sources during the year.....		<u>\$12,696 21</u>
Expended for Relief.....	\$3,539 34	
Expended for other purposes .....	9,876 76	
		<u>\$13,416 10</u>

Assets, December 31st, 1893:

Cash on hand .....	4,495 31	
Cash invested .....	3,337 42	
Lodge property.....	8,935 90	
		<u>\$16,768 63</u>

Increase of receipts over last year .....	\$200 45
Increase of expenditure over last year .....	718 35



## SUPREME REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT.

*To the Grand Chancellor, Officers and Members, of the Grand Lodge, of the Grand Domain of Ontario, K. of P.*

Sir and Brethren,—Your representatives in the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, have pleasure in reporting the results of the eighteenth session, in brief, and would respectfully call attention to the fact that owing to important changes in the constitution and codification of the laws, it will be important and necessary that the constitution and laws of our Grand and Subordinate lodges shall, at the earliest moment, be revised by either the executive officers, or a special commission whose duty it will be to harmonize the same with the Supreme Law, and present the result to the next Grand Lodge for adoption, with or without amendment.

## THE NEXT TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING.

Supreme Lodge assembled in eighteenth session at Washington, D.C., the birthplace of the Order, on Tuesday, August 28th, at 10 o'clock a.m., and continued its work from day to day until Saturday, the 8th of September, when, at 4 p.m., it closed in due form to meet in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, on the fourth Tuesday in August, 1896, P.P. XXXIII.

## THE NEW SUPREME OFFICERS.

All other business having been disposed of the last acts before adjournment were the installation of the officers and the announcement of the Tribunes. The Supreme Chancellor called P.S.C. Wilbur H. Myers, of Pennsylvania, to the Chair as Installing Officer. P.S.C. Henry Clay Berry acted as Supreme Prelate, and P.S.C. David B. Woodruff acted as Supreme Master at Arms. Following are the officers:

- S. C.—Walter B. Richie, Lima, Ohio.
- S. V. C.—Philip T. Colgrove, Hastings, Michigan.
- S. P.—Albert Steinhart, Greenville, Alabama.
- S. M. E.—Thomas G. Sample, Allegheny, Pennsylvania.
- S. K. R. S.—R. L. C. White, Nashville, Tennessee.
- S. M. A.—Aaron B. Gardenier, Chatham, New York.
- S. I. G.—James Moulson, St. John, N.B.
- S. O. G.—John W. Thompson, Washington, D.C.
- President Board of Control, E.R.—J. A. Hinsey, Chicago, Ill.
- Major-General U.R.—James R. Carnahan, Indianapolis, Ind.



Supreme Chancellor Richie, on assuming the chair, made a brief but eloquent address.

The Supreme Tribunes were announced by the Supreme Chancellor as follows:

- George E. Seay, of Tennessee, five years.
- John H. Alexander, of Virginia, four years.
- Edward A. Graham, of Alabama, three years.
- Ben. T. Chase, of Maine, two years.
- Frank H. Clarke, of Wyoming, one year.

The nominations were unanimously confirmed.

#### OPENING OF THE SESSION.

Reverting to the opening of the session. The place of meeting was the Builders' Exchange on 13th Street. A very full representation was present.

The Supreme Lodge Rank was conferred upon 88 Past Grand Chancellors.

#### REPORTS OF OFFICERS.

The reports of the Supreme officers were presented and referred to the proper committees. From these reports we reproduce a few points of interest, viz.: During his term of office the Supreme Chancellor made official visits to 46 out of the 54 Grand Domains, travelling 65,000 miles in order to do so; and systematically exemplified the secret work, and, as before our own Grand Lodge, offered extended remarks for consideration and plans, suggestions and ideas for the more perfect government and growth of the order. He reports the numerical status of the order, up to July 1st, 1894, as being as follows:

Number of Grand Lodges.....	54
Number of Subordinate Lodges.....	6,262
Number of members.....	465,741

A net increase of 72,025 members in two years notwithstanding general depression.

In the actual gain of membership in 1892 and 1893, in Grand Domains, Ontario stands 42nd with a gain of 292; Illinois stands first with a gain of 12,235.

In the percentage of net gain by Grand Domains, Manitoba stands 1st, with 149.18 per cent; British Columbia stands 4th, with a net gain of 69.97 per cent.; the Maritime Provinces stand 30th, with a net gain of 24.65 per cent.; and Ontario stands 33rd, with a net gain of 22.41 per cent. The relative average rank of Ontario among the 54 Grand Lodges is 42nd.

In the military branch of the order (the Uniform Rank) there was enrolled on 31st March, 1894, no less than 1,107 Divisions, representing a membership of over 43,000, a net gain in two years of 5,200. These divisions are organized into 21 brigades, composed of 92 regiments; one squadron of cavalry; 19 separate regiments; and 38 separate divisions.

In the insurance branch of the order progress has been equally well marked. The membership is 35,684; the total endowment carried \$76,068,005. As an evidence of growth in this department the following statistics are given for the past two years, viz.:

New members admitted.....	10,395
New sections organized.....	489
Amount of Endowment.....	\$22,228,000 00
Amount paid for death benefits.....	1,642,000 00
Funds on hand (cash and invested).....	233,676.07

#### DEATH OF THE SITTING PAST SUPREME CHANCELLOR.

After the distribution of the reports at the opening session, Representative Fethers, of Wisconsin, formally announced the death, on the preceding day, at his residence, in the city of Eau Claire, Wisconsin, Hon. George Bullen Shaw, the Sitting Past Supreme Chancellor, and offered resolutions authorizing the Supreme Chancellor to express by telegram the tender sympathy of this body for Mrs. Shaw, and its grief at learning of this distinguished brother's death. The Supreme Chancellor likewise appointed a delegation of five representatives to attend the funeral. This concluded the business of the opening day.

#### THE PARADE OF THE UNIFORM RANK.

The afternoon of the second day was devoted to the military display by the Uniform Rank, in which some ten thousand Knights of the rank participated, being reviewed by the President of the United States, and the chief military and naval officers as well as by the Supreme Officers and Representatives and their ladies. It was a grand pageant and commanded the admiration of many thousands of the residents of, and visitors to, Washington. No portion evoked greater applause from the grand stand than did Toronto Division, under command of Capt. Mitchell, accompanied by the Toronto Pythian Band and led by the waving Union Jack.

#### A SESSION OF DILIGENT WORK.

From the morning of the second day until the end of the second week the Supreme body worked diligently, oft times sitting forenoon, afternoon and evening. The volume of business was immense and your representatives can, therefore, do little more than indicate the legislation.

The report of the Council of Administration, presented on the second day, covered some 27 pages of printed matter in the daily journal, and dealt with its examination of, and amendments made to, the constitution and laws of Grand Lodges, and subordinate lodges under the jurisdiction of Supreme Lodge.

#### PERPETUAL ACT OF INCORPORATION.

On the same day Supreme Lodge was presented with the bound and engrossed Act of Incorporation, a most valuable document inasmuch as by a special Act of Congress it has been made perpetual in its existence and operation, our order being the first secret, fraternal organization to receive such act of recognition. By this Act perfect protection and exclusive right is guaranteed the name of the Order, its emblems, mottoes, secret work and rituals and all its belongings. Not even a derivative from the name can be used except by consent of the Supreme Lodge. This will effectually block any effort at secession, with the object of forming a rival order of Knights of Pythias.

#### APPOINTMENT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

On the second day likewise, the fourteen standing committees were announced. Representative King was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Written Work, and at a later stage Representative McKellar was appointed a member of the Committee on Necrology. The balance of this day was devoted to the receiving of business from the various jurisdictions, and the matters so presented were referred to the appropriate committees.

#### A CANADIAN AMONG THE OFFICERS.

The election of officers took place on the morning of the third day, the result of which is given in the beginning of this report. This jurisdiction will have pleasure in knowing that to our worthy brother Moulson, of the Maritime Provinces, was accorded the honor of election to the office of Supreme Inner Guard. The honor was well deserved, for aside from his being a member of the first lodge established in Canada (viz., at St. John's N.B.), he has been an indefatigable worker for the Order and for some time Supreme Representative.

#### ROUTINE WORK.

After the election the Constitutional Commission presented its report, which, with the new draft of Constitution, was made a special order for Friday. The balance of the day was occupied in the introduction of business by Representatives and its reference to appropriate committees for action.

#### UNIFORM RANK RITUAL.

On the fourth day, at the morning session, the report of the committee on new ritual for the Uniform Rank was presented. We may here mention that the ritualistic work was exemplified before members of Supreme Lodge

in the building where the Order was first instituted. Final action on this ritual by Supreme Lodge was deferred until the Supreme Council of the Uniform Rank, which has been provided for, and to which the ritual has been referred, has taken action. We may indicate for those interested that the rank is divided into three grades, to be known as the grades of Honor, of Justice and of Loyalty. Each grade has its separate military ceremony. The compilers, Maj.-Gen. Carnahan, Col. Wm. L. Heiskell and Col. James A. Fox, have carefully studied the history of Knighthood and Chivalry, and have sought to extend the work and teachings of the Order.

#### MEMORIAL SERVICE.

At four o'clock on Monday afternoon, September 3rd, a memorial service in remembrance of the late Sitting Past Supreme Chancellor, George Bullen Shaw, of Wisconsin, was held in the hall where the Supreme Lodge held its sessions. Nearly all the officers and representatives and many ladies were present. The vacant chair was draped in mourning, and beautiful floral offerings were placed thereon.

Supreme Chancellor Blackwell presided, and tender and loving addresses were made by Supreme officers and representatives from various sections, there being 18 speakers in all, limited to five minutes each. The Mount Vernon Quartette Club rendered several very fine numbers at intervals between the addresses. The addresses were of merit and will be published in a separate memorial volume.

#### THE GERMAN RITUAL QUESTION.

A matter of much interest, that received very full consideration in committee, and the report from which committee received two hours discussion in Supreme Lodge, was the German ritual question—that is to say the desire to have the ritual translated into the German language. The matter was most fully and fairly considered and came before the body in two reports, the majority report being signed by all the committee save one member, who submitted a minority report in favor of such translation. The ayes and noes were recorded and the motion to substitute the minority report for the majority report was defeated, ayes 41; noes 74. The majority report was then adopted, ayes 79; noes 36.

#### THE ORDER OF PYTHIAN SISTERS.

Another vexed question, the recognition of the order of Pythian Sisters, and the ritualistic prohibition of Knights of Pythias from becoming honorary members therein was definitely settled by refusing recognition.

#### MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS.

Supreme Lodge accepted the transfer of the management of the proposed Pythian University, at Gallatin, Tennessee.

The annual payments to the daughters of the Founder were ordered continued.

The bond of the Supreme Master of Exchequer was fixed at \$50,000 for the next two years.

The mileage and per diem of the session amounted to \$24,722.60, which with other outlays will bring the expenditure up to about \$30,000.

The budget, or bill of appropriations, for the next two years, amounts to \$60,000.00.

#### THE NEW CONSTITUTION AND CODE OF STATUTES.

The major portion of the session was consumed in the consideration and adoption of the new Constitution and Code of Statutes; the former document covered 20 printed pages, and the latter 101 pages. These works were adopted with a few minor amendments and will stand as a monument to mark the ability and labors of the Constitutional Commission, which was composed of Hon. Geo. B. Shaw, P.S.C., President, Wisconsin; Judge Geo. E. Seay, P.S.R., Tennessee; Judge John H. Alexander, S.R., Virginia; W. A. Radcliffe, P.S.R., Kentucky, and M. L. Stevens, P.G.C., New York.

In 1892 a Constitutional Commission was appointed to prepare a new Constitution and a Code of Statutes embodying the laws of the order. At this session the commission submitted to the Supreme Lodge the result of their labours and with some few amendments both the Constitution and Code of Statutes were almost unanimously adopted. As this legislation has made many important changes, affecting Supreme, Grand and Subordinate Lodges, the Supreme Representatives for this Grand Domain consider it their duty to make at once a fairly full report of the Supreme Lodge proceeding that it may be printed in the Journal of Proceedings of Grand Lodge, and thereby become the property of Subordinate Lodge members.

#### SYNOPSIS OF NEW CONSTITUTION.

1. The Order shall be known as Knights of Pythias.
2. The Rituals, the Supreme Constitution and the laws enacted by the Supreme Lodge in accordance therewith shall be the Supreme Law of the Order.
3. The honors of the order shall be the following:
  - (a) Past Supreme Chancellor.
  - (b) Past Supreme Representative.
  - (c) Past Grand Chancellor.
  - (d) Past Grand Representative.
  - (e) Past Chancellor.



4. The Supreme Government shall consist of a Legislative, an Executive, and a Judicial Department.

(a) The Legislative Department shall consist of the Supreme Lodge.

(b) The Executive Department shall be composed of the Supreme Chancellor.

(c) The Judicial Department shall be vested in the Supreme Tribunal composed of five Tribunes.

It shall have appellate jurisdiction both as to law and as to fact.

Cases may be carried to the Supreme Tribunal by appeal or writ of error. The right of appeal to the Supreme Tribunal shall extend to all cases, with such exceptions and under such restrictions and regulations as the Supreme Lodge may by law prescribe.

5. A Grand Lodge may create, by constitutional provision, three independent co-ordinate departments, viz. : a legislative department, to be known as the Grand Lodge; an executive department to be known as the Grand Chancellor; and a judicial department to be known as the Grand Tribunal.

6. Each Grand Lodge may provide by law that the subordinate lodges within its domain shall or shall not pay weekly benefits, or that the question of such benefits may be determined by each subordinate lodge for itself.

7. The constitutions and laws of Grand and subordinate lodges, which may be in force at the adoption of this constitution are declared to be operative, so far as they do not conflict with the constitution.

8. No meeting for the transaction of business or work, and no excursion or entertainment shall be held by a subordinate lodge, on the first day of the week, commonly called *Sunday*.

9. The ranks of knighthood shall be attained and conferred only in accordance with the requirements of the Supreme law and the fees shall not be less than ten dollars.

10. Each subordinate lodge shall provide for and pay, upon the death of a member thereof in good standing, a funeral benefit of not less than twenty dollars.

11. All constitutions, legislation and decisions of the Supreme Lodge, and rulings of the Supreme Chancellor, in force prior to the adoption of this constitution are hereby repealed and annulled.

#### SYNOPSIS OF SUPREME STATUTES.

1. The following supplies, in addition to those heretofore furnished, shall be obtainable only from the Supreme Lodge, through the Grand Keeper of

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Records and Seal: Application cards or petitions for membership; Reports of decisions of Supreme Tribunal; Supreme statutes; Transfer cards; Warrants for subordinate lodges; Orders for password.

2. Lodges and individual members of the order are prohibited from purchasing paraphernalia from any dealers or other persons unless such dealers or persons hold an unrevoked certificate of approval from the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal, and any lodge violating such provisions may have its charter revoked, and any member or committee guilty of such violation he or they may be suspended, but nothing in this provision shall operate to prevent a subordinate lodge from manufacturing paraphernalia for its own use.

3. Deputy Grand Chancellors shall be deemed the representative of the Grand Chancellor by whom they are appointed and shall be accountable to him for the manner in which their duties may be discharged. Their terms shall expire with that of the Grand Chancellor by whom appointed, unless sooner revoked, and no power or duty delegated or assigned to them shall be delegated or assigned by them to any other person whomsoever, except that they may appoint another Past Chancellor to install the officers of a subordinate lodge whom it is their official duty to install.

4. Any knight in good standing in a subordinate lodge shall be eligible to any office in the lodge of which he is a member.

5. Nominations for office may be made at any time prior to the balloting for such candidates to office.

6. The officers must be installed at the first stated meeting of the term they are to serve, provided all requirements of the Grand Lodge relative thereto have been complied with, and provided no such officer shall be installed unless he be in good standing, and has paid all dues and claims of whatsoever nature then accrued to his lodge. If any officer elect be disqualified or absent at the time of installation the installing officer shall declare the office vacant—unless such absence be excused by formal vote of the lodge—and the vacancy be at once filled by election. No officer shall assume the duties of his office until he has been regularly installed.

7. An applicant for the ranks of Knighthood must possess the following qualifications: 1. He must be a white male, of good moral character, not less than twenty-one and not more than fifty years of age, except, if over fifty years of age, he may become eligible by dispensation. 2. He must be a believer in a Supreme Being, be in good health, sound in mind and body, except that a maimed person may become eligible by dispensation, and be able to read and write. 3. He must not be engaged in either of the occupations known as professional gambler, saloon keeper, bar-tender, or retail dealer in spirituous liquors, wine, ale or beer, except as a bone-fide hotel keeper or druggist.



4. He must believe in the maintenance of order and the upholding of constituted authority in the government in which he lives. 5. He must not have been rejected by any subordinate lodge as an applicant for the ranks of knighthood within the six months preceding his application and must have been a resident of the domain for the preceding six months.

8. The application must be on the form provided by the Supreme Lodge and said form obtained from the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal. Such application must be signed in the applicant's own handwriting, endorsed by two members of the lodge in good standing who have attained the rank of Knight, and must be accompanied by the prescribed fee, which under our constitution is five dollars.

The application shall be referred to a committee of three Knights, in accordance with present law, for investigation and report submitted at a subsequent stated meeting of the lodge. Before the commencement of a secret ball ballot, the ballot box shall be presented by the Master-at-Arms to the Chancellor Commander and the Vice Chancellor for inspection. Upon the completion of the ballot, the box shall be presented to the Vice Chancellor and the result announced by him to the Chancellor Commander. The ballot box shall then be presented to the Chancellor Commander and if the ballot is found to be as announced by the Vice Chancellor the result thereof shall be declared to the lodge by the Chancellor Commander. Should the Chancellor Commander and Vice Chancellor disagree as to the result, the ballot box shall be presented to the Prelate who shall announce to the Chancellor Commander the result of his inspection and his decision shall be final and be so declared by the Chancellor Commander to the lodge. The number of black balls appearing in any ballot shall in no case be declared by any of the officers to whom the box may have been presented for inspection.

Cubes and white balls are to be used in voting on the admission of candidates, black balls being hereafter prohibited, the cubes taking their place.

9. Only one ballot for the three ranks is now required but if, after the election of an applicant to receive the ranks of knighthood, and before either of such ranks have been conferred upon him, two or more members of the lodge shall file with the Chancellor Commander written objections to his admission the Chancellor Commander, without disclosing the names of the objectors, shall announce such objections in open lodge and cause them to be entered upon the records, whereupon the initiation of such candidate shall be stayed. If the objection be withdrawn within thirty days such withdrawal shall be entered on the records, and the candidate may receive the ranks of knighthood. If the objections be not withdrawn they shall operate as black balls, and at the first meeting after the expiration of thirty days the Chancellor

Commander shall declare the applicant rejected. Similar objections may be filed against a candidate seeking the ranks of esquire or knight.

10. A ballot upon an application cannot be reconsidered; all fees received to be returned to rejected applicant; no application can be withdrawn except by consent of lodge, nor by such consent after report of investigating committee; no discussion allowed on result of ballot either in lodge or out of it and no disclosure permitted directly or indirectly of report of committee of investigation or the character of the vote supposed to have been cast upon such ballot.

11. One week must elapse between the conferring of any two ranks upon the same person and no rank shall be conferred unless the fee therefor has been paid and no portion of such fee shall be refunded, donated or returned directly or indirectly.

12. No ballot shall be had on an application at the same convention at which it was received.

13. Dues shall be paid at the end of stated fixed periods and shall begin from the date of initiation as Page or of application by card.

14. A member shall be in arrears when his dues, accrued at the end of a period for which the same are payable, remain unpaid at midnight of the last day of such period. A subordinate lodge may collect dues in advance, but a member shall not be deemed in arrears, deprived of benefits, or of the S. A. P. W. because of failure to make such payments in advance, provided, that Grand Lodge may by law prescribe that members whose dues are not paid in advance shall not be entitled to benefits.

15. In addition to the withdrawal card a transfer card has been provided for members desiring to transfer to another lodge.

16. The payment of benefits is not obligatory (except a funeral benefit of \$20.00) unless the Grand or subordinate lodge provides for weekly benefits.

17. A subordinate lodge that provides for a larger funeral benefit than the amount fixed by the Supreme Lodge, may prescribe the person or persons to whom the excess be paid under direction of the lodge, in defraying funeral expenses.

18. Suicide does not release the lodge from payment of the minimum amount of funeral benefits.

19. In the absence of the Chancellor Commander and Vice Chancellor, or in the event of their refusal to preside, the members shall elect, by vote, some one from among themselves, to preside, voting first upon the Past Chancellors,

and failing to secure a presiding officer from among them, then they may select from those having the rank of Knight.

20. Keepers of Records and Seal must notify the Endowment Board of Control of expulsion or suspension of members.

21. Members of the order shall not resort to the civil courts of the land for establishing rights and redressing grievances growing out of membership in the order, until they have exhausted their remedies in the tribunals of the order.

22. The rituals shall be in the custody and control of the Chancellor Commander, except when in actual use during a convention of the lodge, and when not in use they shall be kept by him securely locked in a box or other receptacle prepared therefor.

At the installation of officers the out-going Chancellor Commander shall deliver the rituals to the installing officer and they shall be delivered by such installing officer to the incoming Chancellor Commander upon his receipt therefor.

No Chancellor Commander shall loan any ritual to any officer or member, nor permit such ritual to be taken from the lodge room; but he may permit such ritual to be used within the lodge room by any officer or member of the rank of Knight who may desire to familiarize himself therewith, upon pledge of his knightly honor that such ritual shall not be taken from the lodge room.

23. Orders for the S. A. P. W. shall be given by lodges only to such members of the lodge who are unable to obtain the word personally and orally from the Chancellor Commander, and such order in future will be separate and distinct from the receipt for dues as heretofore in use.

24. No order for the S. A. P. W. must be given by a lodge to any of its members when the lodge itself is without the word.

25. The order, when issued, must bear date in the current term and be properly signed and sealed. When presented to a Chancellor Commander the bearer must, by personal identification or examination in the secret work, prove himself to be the person designated in such order and in conjunction therewith present his official receipt for dues. The Chancellor Commander, if satisfied, shall personally and orally communicate the word and take up and destroy the order.

26. Any present member of the order, not now engaged in either of the occupations known as professional gambler, saloon-keeper, bar-tender, or retail dealer in spirituous liquors, wine, ale or beer (except as bona-fide hotel keeper or druggist), or any member hereafter initiated who shall hereafter engage in any such occupation, shall be subject to suspension.

27. No member of the order shall use the name of the order or any term derived therefrom or germane thereto, or any emblem, motto or device, belonging thereto, as a trade mark or in connection with any scheme of chance, advertisement, circular, or in any manner for his pecuniary benefit or business purposes, except in advertising the sale of Pythian goods or publications, and any member of the order violating this provision shall be subject to suspension or expulsion.

28. Any member, while clothed in the uniform of the military branch of the order or wearing any jewel of office, who shall knowingly enter any public bar devoted to the sale of liquors or any place of disrepute shall be expelled.

29. Officers must wear the jewel of their office, but members may wear the jewel of any rank attained by them, and a Deputy Grand Chancellor, when making an official visit, may wear the jewel pertaining to that position.

#### INSIGNIA OF MOURNING.

The insignia of lodge mourning shall be a triangle of wire, or wood, draped with crape, and of a size as nearly as possible to lie within the margin of the Book of Law, the point of the triangle towards the Vice Chancellor and to rest upon the swords. The duration of mourning shall be thirty days for a subordinate lodge member, sixty days for a Grand Lodge member and ninety days for a Supreme Lodge member. The personal insignia of mourning shall be a crape button of size and design to meet the approval of the Supreme Chancellor and to be supplied by the Supreme Keeper of Records and Seal. It is not obligatory on members to wear this insignia.

#### MASTER OF WORK.

The Master of Work shall not be installed until the lodge has provided a jewel for him.

#### THE ORIGIN, PRINCIPLES AND AIMS OF PYTHIANISM.

The revision of the Declaration of Principles was opportune at a time when a new ritual is in general use; a new and perpetual act of incorporation just obtained; a new constitution adopted, and a code of statutes enacted and to the Committee on Written Work, of which Representative King was chairman, was accorded the work of preparing the new declaration of principles, which was adopted as presented by the Committee, without amendment, and is as follows:

*Be it resolved by the Supreme Lodge, Knights of Pythias, That in order that all may know the origin, principles and aims of the Order, the following shall constitute the*

## DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES :

Pythian Knighthood had its conception in the exemplification of the *life test* of true friendship existing between Damon and Pythias.

*Friendship*, or mutual confidence, being the strongest bond of union between man and man, and only existing where honor has an abiding place, is adopted as a foundation principle.

As the ideal Knight of olden time was the personification of all the higher and nobler attributes of man's nature, the candidate for Knighthood had to prove himself worthy of acceptance by those who valued *friendship, bravery, honor, justice and loyalty*.

The Order of Knights of Pythias—founded in *Friendship, Charity and Benevolence*, which it proclaims as its cardinal principles—strives to gather into one mighty fraternity worthy men who appreciate the true meaning of friendship ; who are cautious in word and act ; who love truth ; who are brave in defending right ; whose honor is untarnished ; whose sense of justice will prevent, to the best of their ability, a personal act or word injurious to the worthy ; whose loyalty to principle, to family, to friends, to their country, and to the constituted authority under which they enjoy citizenship, is undoubted ; and who, at all times, are prepared to do unto others as they would that others should do unto them.

## CONCLUSION.

In the size of the Supreme body, the ability of the officers and representatives composing it, the importance of its legislative work, the elevated status fixed for membership, the noble, elevating, loyal and patriotic principles proclaimed, and the bright and encouraging prospects for a gigantic growth in numbers and usefulness for the future of Pythianism, the session of 1894 is without a parallel in the order's past history, and marks the beginning of a brilliant new era, in which the influence of Pythianism shall be felt and acknowledged by the better elements of an enlightened humanity. In the hope that Ontario will attain, in the near future, a position of eminence on the roll of Grand Domains, we subscribe ourselves,

Yours sincerely and fraternally.

P. D. MCKELLAR,

JOHN S. KING,

September 29th, 1894.

*Supreme Representatives.*



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# PRESENTATION

TO THE

GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEAL.

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PRÉSENTATION TO THE GRAND KEEPER OF RECORDS  
AND SEAL.

Upon the close of the morning session of the Grand Lodge on the second day, Supreme Representative King requested the members to retain their seats for a short time and calling the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal over to his seat he immediately proceeded to read the following:

GRAND JURISDICTION OF ONTARIO, K. OF P.

To GEO. H. MITCHELL, Esq., *P. G. C., K. of P.*

Dear Sir and Brother,—Over twenty-two years ago, in the year 1872, you voluntarily presented yourself as an aspirant for Pythian knighthood, and after due course of obligation and advancement was charged as a Pythian Knight, in Mystic Lodge, No. 1, Toronto. From that time forward your ability and energy were devoted to the cause you espoused.

While serving your parent lodge you were called upon to represent it in the Grand Lodge of the Grand Jurisdiction of Ontario, where your brethren, recognizing your devotion, capability and zeal, made choice of you to fill the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, which you have done to the entire satisfaction of the Grand Lodge for the long period of twenty-one years.

In that office, aside from its routine, you have been entrusted with important duties and have been given discretionary powers and have discharged the former and exercised the latter so as to preserve the Order in its early years and help to build a foundation sure and steadfast for the superstructure of succeeding years.

While exercising your executive functions you were at different times called upon to represent this jurisdiction in the Supreme Lodge of the World, where you left the impress of your personality upon the journals of that body.

Both the Endowment and Uniform Rank features of our order have always had in you a warm friend and able advocate. The existence, strength and efficiency of Toronto Division, No. 2, U. R., is due to your exertions as Sir Knight Captain.

It would require greater space than here afforded to make record of the constant and continuous thought and labor given by you to preserve and perpetuate the best interests of the Order in this jurisdiction.

Your unbroken record for twenty-one years as Grand Keeper of Records and Seal is an evidence that this Grand Jurisdiction had unbounded confidence in your integrity, ability and usefulness. Nevertheless, as tangible evidence to you of their personal esteem, confidence, appreciation and love, the brother-



hood of this Grand Jurisdiction ask you to accept this purse of gold, the standard of money and metal value, emblematic, in this instance, of the purity and value of your Pythian life, and to mark you as a Pythian standard of nobility of character and usefulness which others may seek to emulate.

The address with which you are now presented is likewise intended to be a souvenir for preservation, so that while life lasts you may have a constant reminder of pleasant association with your brother knights and that your children and grand children after you may take pattern from you in moulding useful, honorable and respected lives, and have a strong incentive to noble life and action.

To yourself and family your brethren offer a full measure of their best wishes for health, long life and prosperity here, and in the hereafter happiness and peace.

Kindly accept these evidences of the Order's appreciation of your services, ability, fidelity and nobleness of character.

Sincerely and fraternally in F. C. and B.,

W. E. RISPEN, G. C.,

*Chairman.*

DANIEL J. PEACE, G. M. of E.

*Treasurer.*

JOHN S. KING, S. R.,

*Secretary.*

Windsor, 22nd August, 1894.

The address was read from a type written copy and when Bro. King reached that portion referring to the accompanying gilt Grand Master of Exchequer presented the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal with a specially made morocco, shield shaped, purse bearing the following inscription :

TO

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. G. C., K. OF P.

AFTER

TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF SERVICE

AS G. K. OF R. AND S.

FROM YOUR

BROTHER KNIGHTS IN ONTARIO.

and when the reading was finished the Grand Chancellor presented the brother with a full morocco bound album containing the address beautifully engrossed.

The album consisted of four pages of the finest mounting board the first of which was devoted to a heraldic scene showing a mounted knight in full armor approaching a castle. The others contained the address proper, each having a handsomely illuminated border in which was displayed the various

emblems of the Order and the Uniform Rank. The engrossing and illuminating was done entirely by hand and the result of the pen and brush of Mr. J. G. Owen was the production of a beautiful work of art.

The recipient was completely taken by surprise but his embarrassment was covered by the members of Grand Lodge rising to their feet, giving three hearty cheers and singing Auld Lang Syne, after which he was congratulated by every member present, making any attempt at a reply at that stage impossible.

At the close of the afternoon session he made the following acknowledgment :

Grand Chancellor and Brother Knights,—To attempt to give any adequate expression of my feelings for the very handsome manner in which you have recognized what you have been good enough to term my long and various services to the Order is almost as much beyond me now as it was at the time of its occurrence. I can only say that such an evidence of appreciation on the part of the lodges in this jurisdiction was entirely unexpected and, if I may be permitted to say so, knowing my short comings as well as I do, much beyond what the services rendered merited. No one knows better than myself that the office of Grand Keeper of Records and Seal is a most important one and demands the very best energy and ability of the member who is honored by being placed in that position. That I have given to it what little I possess of these I will not attempt to deny, for my work has been a labor of love, and that I have given you reasonable satisfaction was rendered a self-evident fact this morning, but much as I value and esteem the tangible evidence of your confidence words fail me to express how much more I value the spontaneous outburst and generous manifestation of good will which accompanied it. I doubt very much if there has been any such scene witnessed by another Grand Keeper of Records and Seal, with himself as the central figure. I can assure you the memory of it will be with me as long as life lasts and I trust no act of mine will ever cause any of you to regret having been participants in it.

Another source of pleasure and gratification to me was the fact that the expression of your esteem was conveyed by my old time friend and colleague, Bro. King, with whom I have travelled many a long Pythian journey.

For the many kindly references to my services on your behalf, which are contained in the address, and the good wishes extended for the future of myself and family, I am again at a loss for words to indicate how deeply and fully I appreciate them. These references bring to my mind many episodes in my career as your clerical officer and representative which it might be interesting to relate but time will not permit so I will close by simply saying that I hope to show, by a continued and renewed zeal in behalf of our beloved Order how highly I value and regard your splendid testimonial and the confidence you have reposed in me for the past twenty-one years

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