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

KINGSTON, ONT., 22nd July, 1890.

The Grand Encampment assembled in annual session in the Court Room, Kingston, at 9 o'clock, a. m.

His Worship Mayor Drenan, of Kingston, welcomed the Grand Encampment on behalf of the citizens of Kingston in the following appropriate address which was beautifully engrossed and illuminated :

To Grand Patriarch, J. T. Hornibrook, and Officers and Representatives of the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

Your visit to our city has been anticipated with much pleasure by our citizens for some time, not only because you compose the venerable portion of one of the most estimable societies in the wide world but because we have heard of the magnificent display made by your respective corps during their session in other cities in Canada and the United States. Need I say, gentlemen, that Kingstonians extend you a hearty welcome. I, as mayor and a brother, accord you a warm greeting in their behalf. We are delighted to have you with us, and trust that when you depart you will have reason to long remember your visit to the old Limestone city. Kingston, brethren, is full of Oddfellows, and among them is a Canton of which we feel proud. Probably no city in Canada is more closely associated with Oddfellowship than Kingston. Here live many of the oldest members and here was organized that society which has done so much to strengthen and build up the Order at large. I refer to the Oddfellows' Relief Association, whose head offices have remained here ever since the inception of the society, and which, we trust, will continue to be in Kingston, the place where it has been so successfully organized and operated. Never before was Oddfellowship flourishing in Kingston to a greater extent than it is at present. We have two lodges in a thriving condition; in fact, the membership has become so numerous that recently a scheme for the erection of an Oddfellows' Hall was suggested and later, successfully launched. We hope, therefore, brethren, that when you visit Kingston again, to be able to place at your disposal one of the finest Oddfellows' Halls in Ontario.

With regard to the object of your visit, to meet in annual session and legislate for the benefit of your Order, I might mention the fact that years ago the wisdom of the country met here and enacted many laws, the benefit of which was felt by all Canadians. This city, you will observe, then, is associated with the history of Canada. Now, brethren, it remains for you to connect Kingston even

more closely with Oddfellowship by approving of legislation that will have such a beneficial effect upon the Order that the place of meeting will not soon be forgotten by the members present.

In conclusion, brethren, let me again extend to you a hearty welcome. Kingston has many places of interest. Then combine business with pleasure and don't go away without taking "a run about town." I trust that you will have a pleasant time and that the "all-seeing eye" will look with approval upon all your deliberations.

The Grand Patriarch, J. T. Hornbrook, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Ontario, returned thanks. He knew that the brethren on leaving Kingston would carry away nothing but pleasant recollections. Many were present then who had been in Kingston sixteen years ago, and not one of them could forget the kindness and hospitality extended then to them by the inhabitants of the Limestone city. He thanked them heartily in memory of the past, and in anticipation of the future, feeling sure that they would be again the recipients of that same kindness and hospitality for which Kingston was famous.

Patriarch R. F. Elliott advanced and in behalf of the Kingston Encampment extended a welcome to the visiting brethren, saying: Grand Patriarch, and Patriarchs Militant, on behalf of the Kingston Encampment and brethren of the city I extend to you fraternal greetings and welcome you to this our native city. We feel proud to have you here to-day. I hope and trust that your short stay among us will be enjoyable. You can rest assured that nothing will be left undone by us to make it so. I trust that this your 21st session will be successful and prosperous. The Kingston brethren recognizing the fact that the patriarchal branch of our Order has not been in keeping with the progress of the subordinate lodge engaged the services of Prof. Sidney Duer to instruct them in the dramatized work, which is pronounced by all who saw it to be sublime and beautiful. We propose to give an exhibition of the work in the City Hall to-night, to which I give you all a cordial invitation to be present, as it is for the benefit of the Grand Body. In conclusion, I hope that each and every one of you will go away feeling that he has been benefited by his visit to Kingston.

The Grand Patriarch again returned thanks on the part of the Grand Encampment. He felt the deepest gratitude for the welcome given to them, a welcome which, he felt sure, was heartfelt and sincere; a welcome which was a general expression of opinion from many places far and near. He regretted that all the Cantons had not arrived, but trusted that those who were present would, when they arrived this evening, reiterate the words of thanks then spoken and let them know the great pleasure with which the address had been received.

The Grand Encampment was called to order.

PRESENT :

J. T. HORNIBROOK.....	Grand Patriarch.
JNO. A. MACDONALD.....	Grand High Priest.
H. A. JACKSON.....	Grand Senior Warden.
M. D. DAWSON.....	Grand Scribe.
EDMUND BELTZ.....	Grand Treasurer.
FRANCIS RAE.....	Grand Representatives to Sovereign Grand Lodge.
FRANK RIDDELL.....	
FRED. DOGGETT.....	Grand Jr. Warden.
FREEMAN I. DANIELS.....	Grand Marshal.
J. J. BUNTING.....	Grand Sentinel.
S. J. WILCOCK.....	Grand O. Sentinel, <i>pro tem.</i>

Also Past Grand Patriarchs Jos. Oliver, John Gibson, John Welsh and John Sinclair.

The Grand Patriarch announced the following as a Committee on Credentials: M. D. Dawson, J. K. Master, Wm. Rudd, D. Henwood and M. Truesdale.

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GRAND-ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

KINGSTON, Ont., July 22nd, 1890.

The Committee on Credentials, after examining the necessary Certificates presented of Representatives-elect, submitted the following Report, which was received and adopted:

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

Your Committee on Credentials respectfully report that from an examination of the Returns of Subordinates, and of the Certificates of Representatives-elect, find the following named P. C. Patriarchs entitled to seats in this Grand Encampment:

Montreal	Encampment,	No.	
Moshassack	"	"	1..... D. J. Dickson
Union	"	"	2..... E. J. Briggs
Frontier	"	"	1..... A. E. Swayze
"	"	"	2..... R. S. McDonald
Harmony	"	"	2..... Geo. Breen
"	"	"	3..... Thos. Brock
Brant	"	"	3..... E. T. Essery
Charity	"	"	4..... Matthew Truesdale
Beaver	"	"	5..... Jas. R. Boothby
Burlington	"	"	6..... M. J. Beam
Toronto	"	"	7.....
"	"	"	8..... F. W. Unitt
Brock	"	"	8..... Thos. Colby
Chatham	"	"	9..... W. W. Wood
Ontario	"	"	10..... A. Savage
Albert	"	"	11..... Samuel Gliddon
Whitby	"	"	12..... N. S. Young
Fidelity	"	"	13..... D. Vickers
Kingston	"	"	14..... W. L. Challoner
Mount Ararat	"	"	15..... R. F. Elliott
Hebron	"	"	16..... Daniel Henwood
Quinte	"	"	17..... John Hamilton
Elgin	"	"	19..... G. R. Brawn
"	"	"	20..... J. B. Squance
Unity	"	"	20..... W. J. Keiffer
Niagara Falls	"	"	21..... Harry Rowland
Friendship	"	"	23..... Jas. R. Campbell
"	"	"	24..... John Sinclair
Victoria	"	"	24..... Jacob Stinson
Alpha	"	"	25..... Jas. Britton
Huron	"	"	26..... Jas. Shanks
Livingstone	"	"	28..... Wm. Knight
Wentworth	"	"	29.....
Wellington	"	"	30..... H. F. Powell
Newmarket	"	"	31..... Chas. Cottis
Exeter	"	"	32..... W. D. Laurie
Royal	"	"	33..... E. J. Spackman
Dresden	"	"	36.....
Adelphian	"	"	37..... Wm. Rudd
Excelsior	"	"	38..... John Barned
Dufferin	"	"	39..... M. G. Hay
Aylmer	"	"	41..... T. Bruce
Collingwood	"	"	42..... W. Warnock, jr.
Saugeen Valley	"	"	45..... Daniel Wilson
Minerva	"	"	46..... Jos. A. Rothwell.
Samaritan	"	"	47..... W. F. Brockenshire.
Rebooth	"	"	49..... J. K. Master
			50..... S. J. Willcock

Ridgley	Encampment	No.	52	D. T. Hind
Outaouais	"	"	53	T. Gallagher
Mizpah	"	"	54	Geo. H. Sewery
Maple Leaf	"	"	55	Thos. Milburn
Mount Hebron	"	"	56	D. H. Moore
Phoenix	"	"	57	John Andrew
Waba	"	"	58	A. D. Campbell
Moira	"	"	59	J. A. Coon
"	"	"	59	H. Ashley
Central	"	"	60	C. L. Park
Amicus	"	"	61	James McAlaster
Galt	"	"	62	A. H. Blackaby
Simcoe	"	"	63	R. W. Mead
Ivy	"	"	64	J. W. Cunningham
Eureka	"	"	65	S. S. Merick
Hiawatha	"	"	66	R. W. Bell
Aurora	"	"	67	Thos. G. Holmes
Forest	"	"	69	A. F. Steele
Golden	"	"	70	T. A. Wilson
Trenton	"	"	71	Aaron Jones

Returns have been received from all Encampments up to the 31st December, 1889, except those that are practically dormant, viz.: Guiding Star, No. 22, Lindsay; Owen Sound, No. 48, Owen Sound; Bothwell No. 51, Bothwell, and Otter Valley, No. 68, Tilsonburg. The latter never had an existence for they have not even paid for the supplies sent them at institution.

We also find the following Representatives and E.C.P's in waiting, and recommend that they be admitted and instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree, viz.:

E. T. Essery	Harmony	Encampment, No.	3	London
J. R. Boothby	Charity	"	5	Stratford
F. W. Unitt	Toronto	"	8	Toronto
W. W. Wood	Brock	"	9	Brockville
A. Savage	Chatham	"	10	Chatham
D. Vickers	Whitby	"	13	Whitby
W. L. Challoner	Fidelity	"	14	Strathroy
John Hamilton	Hebron	"	17	Parkhill
Harry Rowland	Unity	"	21	Ingersoll
Jacob Stinson	Friendship	"	24	Petrolea
Jas. Shanks	Alpha	"	26	Sarnia
John Barned	Adelphian	"	38	London
M. G. Hay	Excelsior	"	39	Ridgetown
T. Bruce	Dufferin	"	41	Pt. Edward
W. Warnock, jr.	Aylmer	"	42	Aylmer
Daniel Wilson	Collingwood	"	45	Collingwood
F. Gallagher	Outaouais	"	53	Ottawa
Geo. H. Sewey	Mizpah	"	54	Barrie
Thos. Milburn	Maple Leaf	"	55	Woodstock
John Andrew	Phoenix	"	57	Wallaceburg
H. Ashley	Moira	"	59	Belleville
E. L. Park	Central	"	60	Essex Centre
James McAlaster	Amicus	"	61	Norwich
Thos. G. Holmes	Aurora	"	67	Aurora
A. F. Steele	Forest	"	69	Forest
T. A. Wilson	Golden	"	70	Rat Portage
Aaron Jones	Trenton	"	71	Trenton

Representatives' Certificates have not been received from the following Encampments, viz.: Burlington Encampment, No. 7; Ontario Encampment, No.

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11; Albert Encampment, No. 12; Kingston Encampment, No. 15; Livingstone Encampment, No. 29; Exeter Encampment, No. 33; Royal Encampment, No. 36; Saugeen Valley Encampment, No. 46; Rehoboth Encampment, No. 50; Hiawatha Encampment, No. 66.

W. J. Keiffer appears as the Representative of Elgin, No. 20, the accredited Representative Geo. B. Maxwell having resigned; D. Wilson was elected in the place of Samuel Wood, the accredited Representative of Collingwood Encampment, No. 45, who resigned, and we recommend that they be admitted.

Returns have not been received from Burlington Encampment, No. 7; Hamilton; Royal, No. 36, Hamilton; Saugeen Valley, No. 46; Walkerton.

We would respectfully recommend that the above-named Patriarchs be admitted and allowed to take their seats as P. C. P's and Representatives.

Respectfully submitted,

M. D. DAWSON, }
J. K. MASTER, } Committee.
WM. RUDD, }

The Candidates were then formally introduced by the Grand Jr. Warden and received the Grand Encampment Degree.

The Grand Patriarch then appointed the following

COMMITTEES:

ON DISTRIBUTION—A. H. Blackaby, D. J. Dickson, A. E. Swayze, A. Savage, Jas. R. Boothby and H. Ashley.

ON FINANCE—Grand Rep. F. Rae, M. J. Beam, W. D. Lawrie, John Sinclair, Harry Rowland and R. W. Mead.

ON PETITIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE—P. G. P. John Welsh, R. S. McDonald, Thos. Brock, R. F. Elliott, D. T. Hind and A. F. Steele.

ON BY-LAWS—D. H. Moore, Samuel Gliddon, J. A. Coon, T. A. Wilson, G. R. Brawn and Jno. Barned.

ON PETITIONS—Thos. Colby, T. Gallagher, Thos. Milburn, F. W. Unitt, N. S. Young and T. Bruce.

ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM—Grand Rep. Frank Riddell, J. W. Cunningham, W. F. Brockenshire, E. J. Spackman, John Andrew and Jos. McAlaster.

ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES—E. T. Essery, S. S. Merick, Geo. B. Maxwell, D. Vickers, W. Warnock, jr., and Thos. G. Holmes.

ON STATE OF THE ORDER—P. G. P. John Gibson, R. W. Bell, Chas. Cottis, W. W. Wood, J. B. Squance and Wm. Knight.

ON JUDICIARY—P. G. P., Jos. Oliver, C. L. Park, Geo. Breen, W. L. Challoner, A. D. Campbell and Jas. R. Campbell.

P. G. M., Hon. J. W. Stebbins, of New York, was introduced to the Grand Encampment of Ontario by Past Grand Representatives F. Rae and Jos. Oliver, and received the Grand Honors of the Order, and welcomed by the Grand Patriarch.

The Honorable gentleman responded in a few well chosen remarks.

On motion the minutes of last session as printed were adopted.

REPORTS.

The Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer and Grand Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Oddfellows then submitted their reports in printed form, which were by resolution referred to the Committee on Distribution.

REPORT OF THE GRAND PATRIARCH.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

PATRIARCHS.—After a lapse of sixteen years, we are again privileged by a Divine Providence to assemble in Annual Convocation in this beautiful "Limestone City." Those present who attended the session of 1874 have, no doubt, many pleasant recollections of the kindness and hospitality of our Kingston brethren on that occasion.

At that session the Grand Scribe reported 25 Encampments, with a membership of 4,192; to-day we have 61 Encampments, and a membership of over 3,000—thus showing a steady increase in this branch of our Order.

Most sincerely do I welcome you all to this the twenty-first Annual Session of this Grand Encampment. To-day we attain our majority, and it must be a source of gratification to us all to know that to-day we meet for the first time dependent solely on our own resources. I sincerely trust that the increased interest manifested in this session of the Grand Encampment will justify the change.

The past year has been crowned with unnumbered blessings to our Order, not only in our own beloved Canada, but throughout the world. The Grand Sire states officially, "That the Independent Order of Oddfellows was never in a more prosperous condition." It is appropriate, therefore, that while we again meet to renew old friendships and exchange fraternal greetings, we should render thanksgiving to Him who has so abundantly blessed our institution since its inception. May he continue to bless us and guide us in the future as in the past. May charity and brotherly love fill our hearts, and may we, with renewed hope, enter upon the duties of another year, determined to keep our camp fires brightly burning, and to maintain peace and harmony within our tents.

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution, I now submit for your consideration the following report, which I trust will meet with your approval:—

(1) CHANGE OF DATE OF SESSION.

Shortly after the session of this Grand Encampment, at St. Catharines, it was found that the date fixed for holding the session of 1890 in the City of Kingston—viz., the third Tuesday in July—would seriously conflict with the session of the Masonic Grand Lodge, had been fixed for same time and place, a fact evidently overlooked when the resolution was adopted, and inasmuch as many members of this Body are also Masons and would doubtless desire to attend both sessions, and, also, that the hotel accommodation of Kingston would likely be severely taxed, if not entirely inadequate to the requirements of both bodies, it was considered advisable to change the date to the fourth Tuesday in July, I accordingly instructed the Grand Scribe to issue a circular to that effect to every Encampment in the jurisdiction.

(2) NEW ENCAMPMENT.

On October 14, 1889, assisted by J. A. Coon, D.D.G.F., and a number of Patriarchs from Belleville, I instituted Trenton Encampment, No. 71, at Trenton. They started with seven charter members, and at the evening session four Brothers were initiated, advanced and exalted. From reports since received, I learn that this Encampment has been very successful.

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(3) OFFICIAL VISITS.

During the past year, owing to press of business, I was unable to make but few official visits to the Encampments. I regret this, as I firmly believe that the visit of Grand Officers tend to advance the interests very materially of the Encampment visited.

On October 15th, 1889, I visited Belleville, and in Moira Encampment rooms met quite a number of the Patriarchs of both Encampments, which I believe are in a satisfactory condition.

On the 7th November, 1889, accompanied by D.D.G.P. Unitt and a number of Patriarchs from Toronto, I visited Charity Encampment, No. 5, Stratford. There was a large attendance, and here the three degrees were conferred in first-class style. This is one of the oldest Encampments in the jurisdiction, and has on its roll of members several very prominent Patriarchs, some of whom were present on this occasion, notably John Gibson, P.G.P.; John Welsh, P.G.P.; J. R. Boothby, D.D.G.P.; J. J. Bunting, Grand Sentinel, and others. At the conclusion of the work, and prior to closing, a short time was spent in listening to brief, pithy addresses by most of the above-named Patriarchs, after which an adjournment was made to the Hotel Royal, where a sumptuous repast was partaken of and a most enjoyable evening spent. The kind hospitality of the Stratford Patriarchs was fully appreciated.

On the 14th November, 1889, accompanied by D.D.G.P. Unitt and a number of Patriarchs from Rehoboth Encampment, I visited Toronto Encampment, No. 8, Toronto, and had the pleasure of witnessing the Royal Purple Degree conferred in a creditable manner. This Encampment has a large membership and is in a most prosperous state.

On the 5th December, 1889, accompanied by a number of Patriarchs from Toronto Encampment, I visited Rehoboth Encampment, No. 50, Toronto. Evident signs of prosperity and progress were manifested.

On the 9th July, 1890, assisted by Fred W. Unitt, D.D.G.P.; Jno Donogh, P.G.P.; Jos. Oliver, P.G.P.; James Robertson, P.C.P., and others, I held a union installation, and duly installed into their respective positions the officers of Toronto Encampment, No. 8, and Rehoboth Encampment, No. 50. This installation convinced me more than ever of the wisdom of holding union installations wherever practicable. The event brought together a large attendance of the members of both Encampments, and the greatest interest was manifested in the ceremony. A most pleasant and profitable evening was spent.

At each official visit I exemplified the secret work—a feature that was greatly appreciated by the members of the Encampments visited.

(4) RESUSCITATION.

On the 23rd April, 1890, I had the very great pleasure of resuscitating Dufferin Encampment, No. 41, Point Edward, on which occasion I was ably assisted by Grand Scribe Dawson and a number of Patriarchs from London, Wallaceburg, Forest, Sarnia, and Strathroy. One of the most pleasant features in this event was the visit during the evening session of the Chief Patriarch Wm. Skimmins and eight Patriarchs of Gratiot Encampment, No. 108, Fort Gratiot, Mich., who very kindly assisted in the work of conferring the three degrees on some six or eight patriarchs. I feel confident that Dufferin Encampment will become one of the best camps in the jurisdiction.

(5) APPLICATION FOR DISPENSATION.

On June the 6th I received from the Grand Scribe an application for a dispensation from several Patriarchs to open an Encampment in Blenheim. I approved of same and had hoped to have been able to have reported the institution of this Encampment during my time of office. I have no doubt, however, but that it will very shortly be added to the roll of Encampments.

(6) PETITION,

On July 14th I received from Grand Senior Warden H. A. Jackson the following petition from Moshassuck Encampment, No 2, Montreal:—

MONTREAL, June 14, 1890.

John T. Hornibrook, Esq., Grand Patriarch Grand Encampment of Ontario, Toronto:
SIR AND BROTHER,—I have been instructed by vote of Moshassuck Encampment, No. 2, to petition you for permission for said Encampment to work under jurisdiction of Grand Encampment of Ontario.

Waiting an early reply,

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

HARRY CALL,
R. Scribe.

I granted the petition, subject to the permission of the Grand Sire.

I am fully persuaded that the admission of this Encampment under the jurisdiction of Ontario will greatly benefit the Patriarchal Branch in the sister Province.

(7) CIRCULARS ISSUED.

Having received several communications regarding the "Amendments to the Constitution of Subordinate Encampments," as passed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge at its last Session in Columbus, Ohio, relative to the qualifications for office in Subordinate Encampments, I deemed it of sufficient importance to warrant the issue of the subjoined circular:—

Office of the Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment
of Ontario, I. O. O. F.,
TORONTO, Dec. 16, 1889.

To the Chief Patriarchs, Officers and Members of the Subordinate Encampments of Ontario,
I. O. O. F.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS:

PATRIARCHS.—The following Amendments to the Constitution of Subordinate Encampments were adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, at the last Annual Session held in Columbus, Ohio:—

"None but Royal Purple Degree Members can be elected to office in a Subordinate Encampment, and all such members are eligible to any office therein, except to the office of Chief Patriarch and Senior Warden."

"To be eligible to the office of Senior Warden in a Subordinate Encampment, a Patriarch must have served a term in some elective office, other than Trustee, or in an appointed office."

"To be eligible to the office of Chief Patriarch in a Subordinate Encampment, a Patriarch must have served a term in the office of Senior Warden."

This is now the law, and will govern the election of officers for the ensuing term.

Fraternally yours,

JOHN T. HORNIBROOK,
Grand Patriarch.

Attest:

M. D. DAWSON, Grand Scribe.

Finding that there was an apparent conflict between Sections 4 and 5 of the Constitution of Grand Encampment and the Resolution passed at St. Catharines—Journal, page 909—I at once corresponded with the Executive officers of the Grand Encampment, informing them of the action I deemed advisable in the premises, and requested their approval, and having obtained their unanimous consent I directed the Grand Scribe to issue the following circular, a copy of which was promptly sent to every Encampment:—

Office of the Grand Patriarch of the Grand Encampment
of Ontario, I. O. O. F.,
TORONTO, 2nd July, 1890.

To the Officers and Members of the Subordinate Encampments of Ontario:

I beg to call your attention to the following:—

Section 4, Constitution Grand Encampment, reads as follows: "Each Subordinate Encampment shall, at the last regular session in June, of each year, elect separately, by ballot, from among the P.C. Patriarchs, such number of representatives as the Encampment is entitled to, who shall serve for one year from the Tuesday preceding the second Wednesday in August following."

Section 34 of the Constitution reads: "There shall be one regular session of the Grand Encampment in each year, which shall be held on the Tuesday preceding the second Wednesday in

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August, or at such time and place as may be selected at the preceding session thereof by a majority of the members present and voting."

At the last session of the Grand Encampment, held at St. Catharines, the following was adopted: "Resolved—That when the Grand Encampment adjourns, after being through with the business of this session, it adjourns to meet in the City of Kingston, on the Fourth Tuesday in July, 1890."—(Journal page 909.)

I have no doubt but that the spirit and intention of Section 4, Constitution, is that a representative shall be elected to serve until the next session of the Grand Encampment. Therefore, to avoid any conflict or confusion, and with the unanimous approval of the Executive, I do hereby declare that the Representatives elected at the last regular meeting of the Encampment in June, 1890, are the legal representatives for the session at Kingston.

M. D. DAWSON,

Grand Scribe.

Fraternally yours,

J. T. HORNIBROOK,

Grand Patriarch.

(8) REPORT OF DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

The Commissions to the D.D.G.P.'s were promptly issued. I regret to state, however, that very few of these officers have deemed the office of sufficient importance to keep me fully advised as to the state of their several Encampments. In a jurisdiction as large as Ontario the Grand Patriarch must largely depend on his Deputies for information as to the welfare and requirements of the subordinate Encampments. To that end it is absolutely necessary that the D.D.G.P.'s should make frequent reports to him, so that he may be in constant touch with the entire jurisdiction. This, of course, does not apply to all, some Deputies having sent in very complete and interesting reports, among whom are:—

T. A. Wilson, D.D.G.P., Golden Encampment, No. 70, Rat Portage: "Progressing favorably. At one meeting conferred the Patriarchal Degree on six Brothers, besides doing work in Second and Third Degrees."

M. W. Passmore, D.D.G.P., Wentworth Encampment, No. 30, Dundas: "We have a membership of twenty-nine members, all good; lost one by withdrawal card, but hope for better account next term."

S. S. Merrick, D.D.G.P., Euréka Encampment, No. 65, Carleton Place: "Have admitted four members during the term. Our Encampment is in a flourishing condition and well attended."

W. R. Watson, D.D.G.P., Maple Leaf Encampment, No. 55, Woodstock: "Our Encampment is in a very prosperous condition. We are looking forward to a great many applications in the coming term."

James R. Boothby, D.D.G.P., Charity Encampment, No. 5, Stratford: "We have had a very prosperous year, having now a membership of 92; a net gain of 15 during the year; 21 patriarchs received 90 weeks' sick benefits, amounting to \$270. Our prospects for the future are very bright. I think the membership generally, in both Lodges and Encampment, appreciate the services of the Canton, as they have cheerfully rendered every possible encouragement since its organization."

Silas Jones, D.D.G.P., Dufferin Encampment, No. 41, Point Edward: "The Encampment here is getting along splendidly since your visit, and the outlook is very encouraging indeed. We are increasing in membership at every meeting."

T. P. Blackwell, D.D.G.P., Elgin, No. 20, St. Thomas: "I find the plan of exchange of D.D.G.P. between St. Thomas and London has been a great success, and would be an advantage to other Encampments, if they would adopt the same plan. We are looking forward to a prosperous term."

John Howard, D.D.G.P., Phoenix Encampment, No. 57, Wallaceburg: "Have an increase of two in membership."

Jer. Britton, D.D.G.P., Guiding Star Encampment, No. 22, Lindsay, report the Encampment in a torpid condition. I wrote and urged him to endeavor, if possible, to reconstruct the Encampment, and I am pleased to be able to inform this Grand body that I have been at least partly successful, as, in a letter just received from D.D.G.P. Britton, he states: "I am glad to report that at a special meeting of Guiding Star Encampment, No. 22, held

last night, it was decided to endeavor to reconstruct. The returns and arrears will be forwarded in a few days, and I hope to see an era of prosperity for old No. 22."

I submit the correspondence for your consideration, and would recommend that the incoming Grand Patriarch be requested to take steps to revive this old Encampment.

P. H. Johnson, D.D.G.P., Strathroy: "I have not much to report. This Encampment has been almost at a stand some years, but this year we have got in some new blood, and though our membership is the same as last year, having suspended five and initiated five, yet we look forward to the future with good cheer."

(9) FORM FOR D.D.G.P. REPORTS.

The want of a form on which District Deputies could make a report and brief resume of the work of the term, for the Grand Patriarch, has long been felt, and I believe the time has now arrived when such a form should be adopted.

I would therefore recommend that a form of a semi-annual report be prepared by the Grand Scribe and furnished to each D.D.G.P., with instructions to fill in and forward the same to the Grand Patriarch at the close of each term.

(10) DECISIONS.

As an evidence of the harmony that prevails throughout the jurisdiction, very few questions of importance have been submitted. The following are the principal decisions given:—

Subordinate Encampments have control of their own funds, and can at any regular meeting vote to invest such funds without first notifying its members to be present—providing the By-Laws of the Encampment do not call for such notice.

A Chief Patriarch of an Encampment instituted after a majority of the meeting nights in the term had passed, must serve until the end of the succeeding term to entitle him to the honors of office.

To be eligible to the office of Chief Patriarch, a Patriarch must have served a term in the office of Senior Warden. See Circular Dec. 16th.

An Encampment has no right to consider an application for a withdrawal card unless the Patriarch applying for same is in good standing. Sec. 155 Digest, 1884; and Sec. 12 Constitution of Subordinates.

The Jurisdiction of Ontario not having provided the necessary legislation, in accordance with the recommendation of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, an Encampment cannot admit non-beneficiary members.

An Encampment may by its By-Laws charge and collect dues in advance, under penalty of disqualification for benefits, providing such By-Law has been approved of by the Grand Encampment.

An Encampment can frame a By-Law governing their benefit payments, which shall be retroactive; but it must be clearly and specifically stated therein, that it will apply to those who are at the time beneficiaries of such Encampment; if not so stated, then it only applies to those who are not on the beneficiary list at the time.

Notice, as provided by Sec. 23, Constitution of Subordinates, must be sent to a Patriarch who is in arrears before he can be suspended.

(11) NEW CANTONS.

On the 7th November, 1889, assisted by Col. Unitt, A.A.G., and the members of Canton Toronto, No. 7, I had the pleasure of mustering in Canton Stratford, No. 13, J. J. Bunting, Commandant. From the many prominent and energetic Patriarchs whose names are on the Roster, I predict a very successful future for this Canton.

On the 27th of September, 1889, I approved the applications of a number of Patriarchs belonging to Dresden Encampment for a Canton to be started in their town, and in January, 1890, Major Stenberg, accompanied by Canton London, mustered in Canton Dresden, No. 14, under very favorable auspices.

I am strongly of the opinion that the Cantons have been of great benefit to the Patriarchal branch of our Order in this jurisdiction. Renewed interest and increased attendance have been the general results wherever a Canton has been instituted.

(12) CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence of the Grand Patriarch's office has not been very heavy during the past year, but has been of the most cordial character. I have always endeavored to promptly reply to all my correspondents.

All communications received and replies thereto are submitted herewith.

(13) AUDITORS.

I reappointed as Auditors Patriarchs Frank Riddell and T. G. Lowe.

(14) ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF COURTESIES.

I beg to acknowledge the many courtesies received from the officers of this Grand Encampment, especially to Grand Scribe Dawson, who has at all times promptly aided me, when his services were required, and who has been a most prompt and valuable correspondent, thus aiding me materially in the discharge of my official duties.

I also tender my sincere thanks to John Donogh, P.G.P., Jos. Oliver, P.G.P., J. B. King, Grand Secretary, and Col. F. W. Unitt, for the valued advice and the many kindnesses so cheerfully rendered by them.

(15) STATE OF THE ORDER

I am pleased to report that the Patriarchal Branch of the Order in this jurisdiction is in a most satisfactory condition. While the net increase of membership during the past year has not been large, the prospects for the incoming year are very bright and promising; and I am fully convinced that, if the Patriarchs only determine to work heartily together to advance the interest of this branch of our Order, we shall have a large increase in our membership and renewed interest in the working of the Subordinate Encampments in Ontario.

(16) CONCLUSION.

In surrendering into your hands, the trust you so kindly gave me one year ago, I do so with mingled feelings of pleasure and pain—of pleasure and gratification that our relations have been so cordially and mutually agreeable, that nothing has occurred to check the onward march of our great fraternity, and that so much of prosperity has been vouchsafed to our Order, for never in its history has Oddfellowship been more prosperous, nor its mission of humanity more kindly appreciated; of sorrow and regret that my business duties have prevented me from giving to my trust that attention which I fondly hoped to give when I took office at your hands. I have, however, honestly endeavored to uphold the dignity of this Grand Encampment and of the Order, and to administer the laws of the Order with impartiality. I appreciate your kindness, and assure you all that the recollections of the past year will ever be bright.

Patriarchs, ours is a noble work. As we are faithful to our trust, so will we merit a continuance of the Divine blessings which have ever attended the Order.

Fraternally yours,

J. T. HORNIBROOK,
Grand Patriarch.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SCRIBE.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario:

(1)

PATRIARCHS :—Sixteen years ago, when we met in this ancient city of Kingston, we had but about 25 Encampments, with a membership of a little over 1,000. To-day we have nearly three times that strength. While not a phenomenal increase, still it has been steady. A few of our Encampments, started in weak localities, have ceased to work. Our experience reveals the fact that the Order has within it that power which will give it lasting and eternal strength. Its principles are founded upon the Word of God, and will last as long as the heavens above us. Recognizing it to be our duty to minister to the wants of frail humanity, to cultivate that beautiful fraternity that links us in that golden chain of brotherhood, to reach out our protecting arms even beyond the pale of our society bounds, smooth the pillow of affliction, hold up the hands of the weak and suffering, protect the widow and the fatherless, educate the orphan and bury the dead, we must live and endure until time shall be no more. The past year this branch of the Order has expended nearly the third of its entire revenue in relief. We have no desire, however, to boast of our own special charity, but to say that the Order at large presents a record worthy of imitation.

(2)

STATE OF THE ORDER.

The reports coming in the present term are most encouraging. More than three-fourths of the Encampments already reported show an increase which is very creditable. Dufferin Encampment, No. 41, Point Edward, that was considered removed from our Roll, has taken a fresh lease of life, and sent in capitation tax for 5 terms. The present term they have added 11 new members. Charity, No. 5, Quinte, No. 10, Friendship, No. 24, and Excelsior, No. 39, have also done good work the past term.

One new Encampment has been instituted during the year. Trenton Encampment, No. 71, Trenton, by the Grand Patriarch. It is doing well, as they report this term 26 members. Another new Encampment is now about ready for institution at Blenheim.

I had 600 copies of the Journal of Proceedings of last year printed, and distributed as in previous years. I reprinted the Constitution of this Grand Encampment as an appendix to the Journal, considering it unwise to print an edition of 1,000 copies, as I found so many amendments necessary, and I was not justified in making them myself. I would strongly recommend that the laws

harmonized at this session, and all necessary changes made, and then we can have a new edition printed.

The Standing Committee on By-laws, Cl. T. Campbell, M. J. Beam, of St. Marys, and the Grand Scribe, of London, examined all By-laws and amendments to law submitted for approval during the present year.

The following figures will give the progress of the Encampments during the six months ending June 30th, 1890, so far as it is possible to give it :

Initiated.....	175
Admitted by card	5
Reinstated.....	7
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Total.....	187
From which deduct	
Withdrawn by card.....	23
Suspended for non-payment of dues	74
Expelled.....	1
Deceased.....	17
	—115—
Increase for the last six months.....	72

The following is the abstract of the semi-annual returns for the year ending December 31st, 1889 :

(3) Abstract of the Semi-Annual Returns of the Subordinate Encampments of Ontario, I.O.O.F., for the Term ending June 30th, 1889.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No.	Initiations.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Suspended for Non-payment of Fees.	Suspended for Causes.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Books.	No. of Pararchs Relieved.	No. of Weeks for which Benefits were paid.	Amount paid for Relief of Pararchs.	Amount of Relief to Widowed Families.	Amount paid for Buying the Dead.	Special Relief.	Total Amount of Relief.	Cash on hand and Invested.	Dues to Grand Encampment.	Revenue.
Union	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	58	4	30	\$5	0	0	0	5	143	51	\$6
Montreal	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	70	4	30	\$5	0	0	0	5	143	51	\$6
Frontier	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	2	15	100	0	0	0	15	250	75	\$25
London	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	109	71	51	18	100	0	0	0	18	237	23	\$44
Brant	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	73	18	18	36	100	0	0	0	36	377	25	\$47
Charity	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	73	18	18	36	100	0	0	0	36	377	25	\$47
Beaver	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	73	18	18	36	100	0	0	0	36	377	25	\$47
Burlington	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	96	12	3	3	140	0	0	0	3	100	24	\$40
Beacon	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	7	7	3	60	0	0	0	3	67	74	\$210
Beaconsfield	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	48	4	6	6	200	0	0	0	6	483	86	\$130
Canham	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	75	5	6	6	200	0	0	0	6	483	86	\$130
Ontario	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	10	63	37	63	41	15	0	74	174	34	\$10
Albert	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	41	5	63	37	4	0	0	74	174	34	\$10
Whitby	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	42	7	156	15	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Fidelity	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	1	7	7	7	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Mont Ararat	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	76	6	156	15	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Hebron	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4	8	8	8	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Quinte	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	40	8	8	8	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Alpha	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	15	144	9	184	184	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Niagara Falls	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	30	30	30	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Friendship	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	15	3	30	30	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Victoria	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	18	3	30	30	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Alpha	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	56	3	26	26	26	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Livingstone	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	3	26	26	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Wentworth	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	3	26	26	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Wellington	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	62	3	15	15	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Newmarket	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	13	13	13	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Royal	28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	13	13	13	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Dresden	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	1	8	8	8	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10
Adelphi	30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	27	8	8	8	0	0	0	20	110	84	\$10

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Wellington	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	62	3	15	15	0	0	0	30	974	76	\$10
Newmarket	32	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	30	13	13	13	0	0	0	30	244	06	\$15
Royal	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	14	13	13	13	0	0	0	17	244	06	\$15
Dresden	34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	42	1	8	8	8	0	0	0	4	244	06	\$15
Adelphi	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	27	27	8	8	8	0	0	0	4	244	06	\$15

13 00	5 85	34 05	10 50	151 85
14 00	48 00	261 73	15 50	115 80
15 00	3 50	121 00	13 50	20 10
16 00	7 50	43 80	15 00	37 00
17 00	14 00	15 00	4 00	15 00
18 00	30 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
19 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
20 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
21 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
22 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
23 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
24 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
25 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
26 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
27 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
28 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
29 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00
30 00	15 00	15 00	1 00	1 00

GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

Wilmington	31	0	42	3	15	30 00	974 70	10 50	151 85
Norwich	32	19	62	4	13	23 00	444 00	15 50	115 80
Knox	33	14	12	1	2	4 00	50 00	13 50	20 10
Royal	34	12	1	1	1	4 00	15 00	15 00	37 00
Adelphi	35	5	1	1	1	4 00	173 22	6 75	48 31
Excelsior	36	3	70	4	12	12 00	484 50	19 75	93 24
Dufferin	37	24	1	1	1	12 00	70 32	6 00	4 25
Aylmer	38	17	1	1	1	12 00	177 41	6 25	68 80
Soblingwood	39	10	5	10	16	16 00	121 20	6 25	68 80
Stirling	40	3	25	2	6	9 50	502 54	6 25	33 50
Minerva	41	3	35	3	3	9 50	269 78	8 75	27 50
Samarian	42	6	22	1	1	1 00	202 00	5 50	49 75
Kahoboh	43	2	1	1	1	1 00	131 11	10 00	146 30
Ridgely	44	1	1	1	1	1 00	76 55	11 25	34 30
Michigan	45	23	15	14	27	43 00	35 00	13 00	76 05
Maple Leaf	46	45	2	23	21	00	54 08	17 25	74 00
Mount Hebron	47	10	34	4	8	00	152 21	17 25	74 00
Phoenix	48	10	58	14	21	00	16 82	14 00	112 98
Windsor	49	18	3	11	10	50	30 00	254 92	27 50
Wawa	50	7	2	21	1	50	152 97	12 50	70 85
Combs	51	7	16	1	1	50	76 74	6 50	44 17
Amicus	52	34	2	4	6	00	42 05	8 50	55 00
Galt	53	6	33	2	2	00	60 76	8 50	80 05
Simcoe	54	9	34	2	2	00	11 78	1 50	45 40
Ivy	55	13	33	1	4	00	20 68	7 25	47 68
Eureka	56	10	20	1	4	00	59 00	6 00	28 00
Hawatha	57	21	24	1	3	00	20 37	7 00	128 00
Forest	58	25	28	1	3	00	6 00	7 00	128 00
Golden	59	25	28	1	3	00	6 00	7 00	128 00
70	154	5	6 37	5	1	9 47 1/2	3030	17 1/4	8 1/4
Total: \$145 00 \$135 00 \$165 00 \$17122 15 \$757 30 \$4064 73									

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**Abstract of the Semi-Annual Returns of the Subordinate Encampments of Ontario, I.O.O.F.,
 for the Term ending December 30th, 1889.**

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No.	Initiations.	Admitted by Card.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Suspended for Non-payment of Dues.	Expelled.	Deaths.	Degrees Conferred.	Members on the Bk.	No. of Pair-ns. Released.	No. of Weeks for which Be-els were Paid.	Amount paid for Relief to Widowed Families.	Amount paid for Burying the Dead.	Special Relief.	Total Amount of Cash on hand and Invested.	Dues to C and En-campment.	Revenue.
Union.....	1	10	1	1			1	1	1	47	6	96	\$ 19 00			\$ 64 00	\$ 15 75	\$ 117 28
Montreal.....	1	10	1	1		4	13	1	30	62	1	2	2 00			224 20	20	142 20
Frontier.....	2	14	1	1		1	1	1	1	14	7	59	16 00		\$ 5 00	115 00	35 75	173 25
Harmony.....	3	18	1	1		1	1	1	1	88	3	24	36 88		13 00	268 36	27 00	173 94
Brant.....	4	9	1	1		1	9	1	15	83	7	30	90 00			268 88	21 25	263 25
Charity.....	5	9	1	1		1	1	1	15	83	7	30	90 00			622 70	20 75	211 11
Burlington.....	6	12	1	1		1	1	1	12	100	6	18	30 00			1007 53	26	105 75
Leonto.....	7	3	1	1		1	3	1	0	100	6	18	30 00			933 41	27 90	100 00
Brock.....	8	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	106	2	8	8 00			507 26	11 80	74 05
Chatham.....	9	8	1	1		1	1	1	1	106	2	8	8 00			981 15	10 75	147 75
Albion.....	10	11	1	1		1	1	1	1	84	2	8	16 00			10 75	10 75	31 35
Whitby.....	11	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	43	4	37	37 00			218 17	10 25	31 35
Fidelity.....	12	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	41	1	1	1 00			36 80	14 75	37 60
Kingston.....	13	24	1	1		1	1	1	1	56	7	56	197 00			197 00	9 75	37 25
Mount Amarat.....	14	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	27	6	28 1/2	28 50			582 81	10 25	47 75
Quinta.....	15	2	1	1		1	1	1	1	22	2	8	8 00			203 44	2 00	30 00
Unity.....	16	1	1	1		1	1	1	1	15	2	8	8 00			83 23	3 00	43 50
Elgin.....	17	10	3	1		1	1	1	1	32	8	36	116 00			194 54	37 75	256 30
Niagara Falls.....	18	12	1	1		1	1	1	1	147	8	56	52 00		10 00	126 00	11 75	50 00
Victoria.....	19	20	1	1		1	1	1	1	147	8	56	52 00			121 98	11 00	60 00
Alpha.....	20	4	1	1		1	1	1	1	44	1	4	4 00			364 77	11 00	122 85
Huron.....	21	3	1	1		1	1	1	1	122	8	43	86 00			37 47	11 25	133 00
Wentworth.....	22	4	1	1		1	1	1	1	45	1	27	27 00			34 05	5 25	13 00
Wellington.....	23	2	1	1		1	1	1	1	27	1	27	27 00			250 63	14 00	31 30
Excelsior.....	24	2	1	1		1	1	1	1	12	1	12	12 00			125 05	3 00	7 00
Royal.....	25	3	1	1		1	1	1	1	30	1	27	27 00			188 73	7 50	20 10
Dresden.....	26	3	1	1		1	1	1	1	30	1	27	27 00			188 73	7 50	20 10
Adephian.....	27	3	1	1		1	1	1	1	30	1	27	27 00			188 73	7 50	20 10

Wellington.....	31	4	1	1		1	1	1	1	16	2	6	12 00			1002 27	11 50	115 46
Excelsior.....	32	4	1	1		1	1	1	1	4	1	8	8 00			8 00	13 50	48 30
Royal.....	33	5	1	1		1	1	1	1	14	1	3	6 00			30 00	77 07	10 50
Dresden.....	34	3	1	1		1	1	1	1	42	5	25	50 00			50 00	3 50	10 50
Adephian.....	35	3	1	1		1	1	1	1	30	1	27	27 00			170 15	10 50	33 00

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STATISTICS.

The following summary from the Returns will give our membership and standing December 31st, 1889:

Number of Members, as per last Report.....		3 008
Initiated during the year ending December 31st, 1889.....	297	
Admitted by Card.....	17	
Reinstated.....	7	
		<u>321</u>
Total.....		3,329
From which deduct—		
Withdrawn by Card.....		35
Suspended for non-payment of Dues.....		157
Suspended for Cause.....		1
Expelled.....		2
Deceased.....		<u>24</u>
		219
In Membership, December 31st, 1889.....		3,110
Number of Patriarchs relieved.....	309	
Number of weeks sickness for which Benefits were paid 1,560		
Amount paid for Burying the Dead.....	\$ 185 00	
Amount of Special Relief.....	80 26	
Amount of Relief to Widowed Families.....	10 00	
Amount paid for the Relief of Patriarchs.....	<u>2,523 18</u>	
Total amount of Relief paid.....	\$2,798 44	
Invested Funds of Subordinates.....	\$18,304 54	
Total Amount of Annual Revenue.....	9,062 99	

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FINANCE.

The finances of the Grand Encampment continue in a healthy condition. We are out of debt, and although the expenses of the present session will no doubt be much greater than for several years past on account of the session being held in the eastern section of the Province, I think there will be ample to meet all expenses. We have also a fair supply of stock on hand.

ASSETS.

The following statement is an exhibit of cash due and stock on hand 31st December, 1889:—

Amount due by Subordinates.....		\$807 72
6 Charters @ \$1.00.....	\$ 6 00	
50 Copies Book of Laws, @ 30c.....	15 00	
4 Emblematical Charts, @ \$3.00.....	12 00	
18 Registration Books, @ 2.50.....	45 00	
37 Receipt " @ 1.75.....	64 75	
16 Draft " @ 2.00.....	32 00	
3 Proposition " @ 3.25.....	9 75	
2 Black " @ 2.00.....	4 00	
23 Roll " @ 1.00.....	23 00	
24 Treasurer's " @ 1.00.....	24 00	
9 Return " @ 1.00.....	9 00	
2 Charge " @ 2 00.....	4 00	
18 Cards, @ 25c.....	4 50	
2150 Notices of Arrears, @ 1.00.....	21 50	
8 Order Books for P.W. @ 50.....	4 00	
		278 50
Total.....	<u>\$1,086 22</u>	
Balance in Treasurer's hands 31st December, 1889.....	\$ 700 36	
Cash received up to 16th July, 1890.....	1,500 00	
	<u>\$2,200 36</u>	
Expenditure to 16th July, 1890.....	443 80	
Total cash on hand.....	<u>\$1,756 56</u>	

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STATEMENT OF MONEYS RECEIVED

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From 1st January to the 31st December, 1889.

Name and Number of Encampment.	Due.	Charters	Supplies	TOTAL
Montreal Encampment, No. 1.....	\$ 34 50		\$ 8 40	\$42 90
Union " " 1.....	42 25			42 25
Frontier " " 2.....	68 00	2 00		70 00
Harmony " " 3.....	55 00	3 55		58 55
Brant " " 4.....	40 50			40 50
Charity " " 5.....	38 00			38 00
Beaver " " 6.....	6 00			6 00
Burlington " " 7.....	50 00			50 00
Toronto " " 8.....	54 25			54 25
Brock " " 9.....	24 00			24 00
Chatham " " 10.....	36 25			36 25
Ontario " " 11.....	20 50	5 00		25 50
Albert " " 12.....	19 50	1 50		21 00
Whitby " " 13.....	13 00	8 64		21 64
Fidelity " " 14.....	20 25			20 25
Kingston " " 15.....	36 75	3 36		40 11
Mount Ararat " " 16.....	12 00			12 00
Hebron " " 17.....	9 25			9 25
Quinte " " 19.....	19 75			19 75
Elgin " " 21.....	71 25	3 60		74 85
Unity " " 22.....	25 00			25 00
Guiding Star " " 22.....	8 75			8 75
Niagara Falls " " 23.....	20 25			20 25
Friendship " " 24.....	50 00	7 50		63 50
Victoria " " 25.....	22 50			22 50
Victoria " " 26.....	10 50			10 50
Alpha " " 26.....	28 75			28 75
Huron " " 28.....	7 00			7 00
Livingstone " " 29.....	20 50			20 50
Westworth " " 30.....	15 75			15 75
Wellington " " 31.....	20 50	30		20 80
Newmarket " " 32.....	29 25			29 25
Exeter " " 33.....	7 00			7 00
Royal " " 36.....	20 75			20 75
Dresden " " 37.....	13 25			13 25
Adelphi an " " 37.....	45 00	1 80		46 80
Excelsior " " 39.....	12 00			12 00
Aylmer " " 42.....	14 00			14 00
Collingwood " " 43.....	11 50			11 50
Saugeen Valley " " 46.....	6 25	4 00		10 25
Minerva " " 47.....	17 50			17 50
Samaritan " " 49.....	11 00	3 55		14 55
Rehoboth " " 49.....	20 75			20 75
Bothwell " " 51.....	5 00			5 00
Kidgeby " " 52.....	7 75			7 75
Outacuais " " 53.....	36 25			36 25
Mirpah " " 54.....	22 75			22 75
Maple Leaf " " 55.....	25 00	1 75		26 75
Mount Hebron " " 55.....	35 00			35 00
Phoenix " " 59.....	28 00	50		28 50
Waba " " 58.....	26 00			26 00
Moira " " 59.....	58 00	12 68		70 68
Central " " 60.....	25 00	1 75		26 75
Amicus " " 61.....	14 50			14 50
Galt " " 62.....	17 25	21 15		38 40
Simcoe " " 63.....	16 00			16 00
Ivy " " 64.....	16 25			16 25
Eureka " " 65.....	10 00			10 00
Hiawatha " " 66.....	12 50			12 50
Aurora " " 67.....	13 75			13 75
Forest " " 69.....	11 75			11 75
Golden " " 70.....	11 50	24 00		35 50
Trenton " " 71.....		\$3 00	25 00	55 00
Dec. 31—Interest in Bank				15 80
Error in Treasurer's book of 1888				10 00
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EXPENDITURE.

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Drafts, Sovereign Grand Lodge.....	\$170 20	
Expenses of Drafts, Telegrams, Duty, Freight, &c.	6 79	
Cash as per Pay Roll	737 80	
Salary Grand Scribe, 1 year to 31st Dec., 1889.....	300 00	
Frank Riddell, } Auditors.....	10 00	
T. G. Lowe, }		
R. B. Hungerford, Premium on Stock	3 00	
Postage Account for one year.....	29 25	
Richmond & Backus, one set books.....	7 50	
Grand Patriarch's Account, Postage.....	10 00	
J. P. Macleod, Printing Grand Patriarch's Report	4 25	
Reid Bros. & Co., Stationery Account.....	8 30	
A. Talbot & Co., Printing Supplies	53 50	
Southam & Brierley, Printing Journal, Reports, &c.	151 25	
Dec. 31—Cash in Grand Treasurer's hands.....		\$1,491 84
		700 36
		<u>\$2,192 20</u>

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CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence during the past year has not been burdensome. There are no appeals or grievances. The best of good feeling is the prevailing characteristic throughout the jurisdiction. I cannot say anything about the Patriarchs Militant, as I have no correspondence with them. I understand, however, that they are prospering, and, no doubt, this meeting in Kingston will give some idea of their numerical strength. I have much pleasure in submitting all correspondence received.

In reviewing the correspondence I find nothing of public interest, and will not make any extracts.

In conclusion, allow me to thank the Patriarchs everywhere for their uniform kindness and courtesy. The past year has been one of pleasant associations. I have found all the D.D.G.P.'s attentive and efficient in the discharge of their duties. The Grand Patriarch has proved himself a painstaking and earnest worker, and his counsel and assistance have proved valuable aids in the work of the year.

Fraternally yours,

M. D. DAWSON,

Grand Scribe,

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REPORT OF GRAND TREASURER.

In Account with the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I.O.O.F.

PATRIARCHS.—The following is my Financial Statement for the year ending 31st December, 1889 :

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Jan 1	To Balance on Hand	\$ 488 12	Jan 1	By Order N ^o . 60	\$ 125 50
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" 1	" " " "	300 00	" 1	" " " "	150 40
July 29	" Interest in Bank	37 84	" 1	" " " "	150 00
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Aug 1	" Cash from Grand Scribe	200 00	" 1	" " " "	64
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" 13	" " " "	200 00	" 1	" " " "	69
" 25	" error in addition in 1888	248 82	" 1	" " " "	70
Dec 31	" Cash from Grand Scribe	248 82	" 1	" " " "	71
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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Past Grand Patriarch John Gibson, Chairman of the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report which was adopted :

KINGSTON, July 22nd, 1890.

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

Your Committee on State of the Order beg to report as follows on the various subjects referred to them for consideration :

Your Committee are pleased to hear of the institution of a new Encampment at Trenton, and also that there are prospects of the early institution of another by the incoming Grand Patriarch.

Your Committee note with pleasure the official visits made by the Grand Patriarch during the year. We feel that much encouragement is given to Subordinate Encampments by official visits of Grand Officers, and would suggest the advisability of more assistance being given the Grand Patriarch by the other Grand Officers in the discharge of this duty.

It is with great pleasure we learn of the resuscitating of Dufferin Encampment No. 41, Point Edward, and trust it may continue to grow and prosper.

Your Committee approve of the action of the Grand Patriarch in granting the petition of Moshassuck Encampment, No. 2, Montreal, which action has since been approved by the Grand Sire

We regret to learn that a number of the District Deputies have, as usual, failed to report, and would strongly urge their successors to use every effort to perform the duties imposed upon them. We agree with the Grand Patriarch that it is only through his Deputies that he is able to obtain that information so necessary to keep him informed of the working of the various Encampments in this jurisdiction.

Your Committee agree with the suggestion of the Grand Patriarch to furnish District Deputies with semi-annual reports, and recommend that the Grand Scribe be instructed to prepare a form for that purpose.

We are pleased to note the institution of two new Cantons during the year, and trust that they may be the means of infusing new life into their respective districts.

Your Committee congratulate the Grand Encampment on the steady growth and financial standing of this branch of the Order, and the harmony which has existed during the past year.

Your Committee congratulate your Grand Representatives on their very full and able report, and trust that every member in the jurisdiction will profit by the valuable information contained therein.

Respectfully submitted.

Resolved, that the foregoing be adopted.

JOHN GIBSON.
CHAS. COTTIS.
WM. KNIGHT.
JAS. B. SQUANCE.
R. W. BELL.
W. W. WOOD.

Past Grand Patriarch John Welsh presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

"That the election of officers for this Grand Encampment take place at 10 o'clock p. m. to-day."

JOHN GIBSON.
JOHN WELSH.

The following letter of invitation was received :

GALT, July 18th, 1890.

M. Dawson, Esq., Grand Scribe Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F. :

DEAR SIR AND PATRIARCH,—At our regular meeting held this evening the following motion was carried :

"Resolved, that a cordial invitation be extended to the Grand Encampment of Ontario to hold its session of 1891 in the town of Galt."

Yours fraternally,

W. A DENNIS Scribe.
WM. HUNTER, C. P.
Galt Encampment, No. 62.

On motion, it was adopted that the matter of selection of place for next meeting be taken up.

Patriarch Blackaby, of Galt, moved, seconded by Patriarch Gallagher, of Ottawa, that this Grand Encampment when it adjourns does so to meet again next year at Galt, on the 4th Tuesday in July.

It was moved in amendment by Patriarch Unitt, of Toronto, seconded by Patriarch E. T. Essery, that when this Grand Encampment adjourns it does so to meet at the same place and the day previous to the meeting of the Grand Lodge of Ontario in 1891.

It was moved in amendment to the amendment that the place of meeting be Brantford next year.

The original resolution was adopted.

The Grand Patriarch announced that he had given his permission to Moshassuck Encampment, No. 2, Montreal, to become attached to this Grand Encampment, provided permission from the Grand Sire be first obtained. He was glad to announce that he had just received the following telegram from the Grand Sire :

CHICAGO, July 22nd, 1890.

Yes, will grant dispensation placing Moshassuck Encampment under Ontario.

JNO. C. UNDERWOOD.

The action was endorsed by the Grand Encampment.

The Grand Patriarch presented the following letter received from the first Grand Patriarch of this Grand Encampment :

BRANTFORD, 17th July, 1890.

DEAR BROTHER HORNIBROOK,—Many thanks for your thoughtfulness in informing me of headquarters for Grand Encampment Officers. For the first time since we have had a Grand Encampment I shall not be able to respond at roll call. I very sincerely desire that the session may be pleasant and profitable. Do me the favor of saying so much to the members, especially to those with whom for twenty years I have had such very pleasurable intercourse, and may all your acts result in the best good to the whole body in the jurisdiction.

Remember me kindly to Mrs. H. and brethren, and believe me, as ever, fraternally yours,

JAMES WOODYATT.

On motion, the letter was ordered to be placed upon our minutes and the Grand Scribe instructed to reply to the letter.

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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

On motion, the address of the Mayor of Kingston to this Grand Encampment was ordered placed upon our Journal.

The roll of Encampments was called for the introduction of any new business.

The Representative of Huron Encampment, No. 28, Goderich, presented the following question, which was referred to the Committee on Judiciary :

"What power does the Grand Patriarch possess to say; 'I declare that Representatives at the last meeting in June are the legal Representatives for the session at Kingston?'"

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DISTRIBUTION.

Representative A. H. Blackaby, Chairman of the Committee on Distribution, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, July 22nd, 1890.

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

Your Committee on Distribution to whom was referred the reports of the Grand Patriarch, Grand Scribe, Grand Treasurer and Grand Representatives, beg to recommend as follows :

GRAND PATRIARCH'S REPORT.

Clause 1 to be referred to Committee on Laws ; Clauses 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 14, 15 and 16, to Committee on State of the Order ; Clauses 7 and 10 to Committee on Judiciary, Clause 13 to Committee on Finance ; Clause 12 to Committee on Correspondence.

GRAND SCRIBE'S REPORT.

Clauses 1, 2 and 5 to Committee on State of the Order ; Clauses 3, 4, 6, 7 and 8 to Committee on Finance ; Clause 9 to Committee on Correspondence.

GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT.

To be referred to Committee on Finance.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT.

To be referred to Committee on State of the Order.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. BLACKABY.
JAMES R. BOOTHBY.
D. J. DICKSON.
HENRY ASHLEY.
A. E. SWAYZE.
A. SAVAGE.

On motion the Grand Encampment took recess at 12.40 until 2 o'clock p.m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Encampment resumed at 2 o'clock, Grand Patriarch J. T. Hornbrook presiding.

Present—All the Officers and a quorum of Representatives.

Opened in due form.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS AND GRIEVANCES.

Representative E. T. Essery, Chairman of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, ONT., July 22nd, 1890.

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

Your Committee on Appeals and Grievances beg leave to report that there was no business to come before them, and they congratulate the Officers on the fact that they have conducted the business of the Grand Encampment so satisfactory to its members.

E. T. ESSERY.
W. WARNOCK, JR.
D. R. VICKERS.
W. J. KEIFFER.
S. S. MERICK.
T. G. HOLMES.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

Representative R. S. McDonald, from the Committee on Correspondence, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, July 22nd, 1890.

To the Grand Patriarch, Officers and Representatives of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F. :

We, your Committee on Correspondence, to whom was referred Clause 12 of the Grand Patriarch's report and Clause 9 of the Grand Scribe's report, beg to submit that they fully agree with the sentiments expressed in the above Clauses, and that nothing has transpired during the past year to call for special mention. It is gratifying to your Committee to be able to report that this jurisdiction works so harmoniously and that no discords or jars have arisen to mar our peace or prosperity.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN WELSH.
R. S. McDONALD.
A. F. STEELE.
T. BROCK.
D. T. HIND.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.

Past Grand Patriarch Joseph Oliver, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, July 22nd 1890.

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

Your Committee on Judiciary, to whom was submitted Clauses 7 and 10 of the Grand Patriarch's report, beg leave to report they have examined the decisions contained therein and they meet with our approval. In reference to questions submitted by Huron Encampment, No. 28, (which is as follows :)

KINGSTON, July 22nd, 1890.

To the Grand Encampment of Ontario :

By instructions from Huron Encampment, No. 28, I. O. O. F., I have been instructed to ask what power the Grand Patriarch possesses to say "I declare that Representatives elected on the last meeting in June are the legal Representatives for the session at Kingston?"

WM. KNIGHT.

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Would say there is no doubt in our mind that the spirit of the Constitution is that Representatives should only attend at one regular session of the Grand Encampment, (without re-election) and as the changing of the Clause governing this part of the Constitution was intended, we must report sustaining the decision of the Grand Patriarch, and also would recommend that steps be at once taken to harmonize the Constitution.

Resolved, that the foregoing be adopted.

JOSEPH OLIVER.
WILL L. CHALLONER.
E. L. PARK.
GEO. BROWN.
A. D. CAMPBELL.
JAS. R. CAMPBELL.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BY-LAWS.

Representative D. H. Moore, Chairman of the Committee on By-Laws, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, 22nd July, 1890.

To the Grand Patriarch, Officers and Members of the Grand Encampment of Ontario, I. O. O. F.:

Your Committee on By-Laws beg leave to report :

1st. That they find with pleasure that the Standing Committee on By-Laws has performed its duties so thoroughly that there are no alterations or amendments for us to examine, a position of affairs which we consider most satisfactory, as these duties can be much better performed during recess by the eminent representatives on that Committee than could possibly be done by any committee in the limited time at its disposal here.

2nd. In reference to Clause 1 of the Grand Patriarch's report which has been referred to us. We would recommend that his course be confirmed and that he be commended for his prompt action in such an emergency.

D. H. MOORE.
SAM. GLIDDON.
J. A. COON.
T. A. WILSON.
GEO. R. BROWN.
JOHN BARNED.

Grand Scribe M. D. Dawson presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted :

Resolved—That the thanks of this Grand Encampment are due, and are hereby tendered to Grand Representative Cl. T. Campbell for his kindness in the past in acting upon the Standing Committee of By-Laws of this Grand Encampment. His effective work has been fully appreciated by the Order at Large, and his promptness in going through the work submitted to him has rendered the work of the Committee most satisfactory to the Subordinate Encampments; also that the Grand Scribe be instructed to forward to him a copy of this resolution.

M. D. DAWSON.
JOHN WELSH.

The Grand Patriarch appointed Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, Grand Scribe Dawson and Jno. Donough, of Toronto, a Committee to revise and harmonize the Grand Encampment Constitution during recess.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The time fixed for the Special Order of Business, Nomination and Election of Officers, having arrived, was proceeded with, with the following result :

Past Grand Patriarchs Sinclair, Gibson and Oliver were appointed Scrutineers.

- JOHN A. MACDONALD, Arnprior..... Grand Patriarch.
- D. H. MOORE, Peterborough..... Grand High Priest.
- FRED. DOGGETT, St. Thomas..... Grand Senior Warden.
- M. D. DAWSON, London..... Grand Scribe.
- EDMUND BELTZ, London..... Grand Treasurer.
- FRANK RIDDELL, London..... } Grand Representatives to Sov. Grand Lodge.
- J. T. HORNIBROOK, Toronto..... }
- FREEMAN I. DANIELS, Ottawa..... Grand Junior Warden.

A vote of thanks was tendered the Scrutineers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RETURNS.

Representative Colby, Chairman of the Committee on Returns, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, ONT., July 22nd, 1890.

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

Your Committee on Returns of Subordinate Encampments, submitted to us for the term ending 31st December, 1889, and June 30th, 1890, beg to report as follows :

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS COLBY.
N. S. YOUNG.
F. W. UNITT.
THOS. BRUCE.
THOS. MILBURN.
FRED. GALLAGHER.

	Dec. 31, '89.	June 30, '89.
Montreal, No. 1.....	Correct	Correct.
Union, No. 1, St. Catharines.....	"	"
Frontier, No. 2, Windsor.....	"	"
Harmony, No. 3, London.....	"	"
Brant, No. 4, Brantford.....	"	"
Charity, No. 5, Stratford.....	"	"
Beaver, No. 6, St. Marys.....	"	"
Burlington, No. 7, Hamilton.....	"	"
Toronto No. 8 Toronto.....	"	"
Brock, No. 9, Brockville.....	"	"
Chatham, No. 10 Chatham.....	"	"
Ontario, No. 11, Oshawa.....	42 should be 44.	43 should be 45
Albert, No. 12, Bowmanville.....	Correct	Correct.
Whitby, No. 13, Whitby.....	"	"
Fidelity, No. 14, Strathroy.....	38 should be 39.	42 should be 41
Kingston, No. 15, Kingston.....	Correct	76 " 82
Mt. Ararat, No. 16, Napanee.....	23 should be 25.	25 " 24
Hebron, No. 17, Parkhill.....	Correct	17 " 13
Quinte, No. 19, Bellville.....	32 should be 51.	48 " 49
Elgin, No. 20, St. Thomas.....	Correct	Correct.
Unity, No. 21, Ingersoll.....	"	"
Niagara Falls, No. 23.....	"	"

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Friendship, No. 24, Petrolia	No Seal	No Seal.
Victoria, No. 25, Port Hope	Correct	No Seal.
Alpha, No. 26, Sarnia	No Report	Correct.
Huron, No. 28, Goderich	Correct	"
Livingstone, No. 29, Thorold	"	"
Wentworth, No. 30, Dundas	"	"
Wellington, No. 31, Guelph	"	"
Newmarket, No. 32, Newmarket	"	"
Exeter, No. 33, Exeter	"	"
Royal, No. 36, Hamilton	"	"
Dresden, No. 37, Dresden	"	"
Adelphian, No. 38, London	"	"
Excelsior, No. 39, Ridgetown	No Seal	No Seal.
Dufferin, No. 41, Dufferin	Correct	Correct.
Alymer, No. 42, Alymer	"	No Report.
Collingwood, No. 45, Collingwood	"	Correct.
Saugeen Valley, No. 46, Walkerton	"	"
Minerva, No. 47, Wingham	"	"
Samaritan, No. 49, Berlin	"	"
Rehoboth, No. 50, Toronto	"	"
Ridgley, No. 52, Jarvis	"	"
Outaouais, No. 53, Ottawa	"	"
Mizpah, No. 54, Barrie	"	76 should be 78
Maple Leaf, No. 55, Woodstock	"	Correct.
Mt. Hebron, No. 56, Peterborough	"	"
Phoenix, No. 57, Wallaceburgh	"	"
Waba, No. 58, Arnprior	"	"
Moir, No. 59, Belleville	"	"
Central, No. 60, Essex Centre	"	"
Amicus, No. 61, Norwich	"	"
Galt, No. 62, Galt	"	"
Simcoe, No. 63, Simcoe	"	"
Ivy, No. 64, Cobourg	"	"
Eureka, No. 65, Carleton Place	"	"
Hiawatha, No. 66, Peterboro.	"	"
Aurora, No. 67, Aurora	"	"
Forest, No. 69, Forest	"	"
Golden, No. 70, Rat Portage	"	"
Trenton, No. 71, Trenton	"	"

* /Kingston Encampment, No. 15 Kingston, invited the members of the Grand Encampment to be present to-night at the exemplification of the floor work in the City Hall.

On motion the invitation was accepted, provided the work of the Grand Encampment was finished.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

Grand Representative Rae, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, presented the following report, which was adopted :

KINGSTON, July 22nd, 1890.

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

Your Committee on Finance beg most respectfully to submit the following report :

1. We find from an examination of the books of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer

the following to represent our financial standing for the year ending 31st of December, 1889 :

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1889	\$ 488 12
Cash received to Dec. 31, 1889	1,704 08
Total receipts	\$2,192 20
Expenditures during the entire year up to Dec. 31, 1889	1,491 84
Balance on hand	\$ 700 36

2. We find our financial status on July 19th, 1890, as follows:

Balance on hand, Jan. 1st, 1890	\$ 700 36
Cash received up to date	1,313 85
	\$2,014 21
Expenditures to date	443 90
Balance on hand	\$1,570 31

3. Your Committee had laid before them the report of the Auditors, certifying to the correctness of the books and accounts of the Grand Scribe and Treasurer.

4. Your Committee observe with regret that the large amount of \$807.72 is due by the Subordinate Encampments, and would respectfully recommend that an effort be made to reduce it.

5. Your Committee had submitted to them the following accounts and would recommend payment thereof:

The Grand Patriarch for postage and telegrams	\$10 00
The Presbyterian Printing and Publishing Co., printing Grand Patriarch's Report	12 00
	\$22 00

6. Your Committee, in view of the increasing labors of our respected Grand Scribe, M. D. Dawson, would recommend the addition of the sum of fifty (\$50) dollars per annum to his salary.

7. Your Committee have had their attention called to an omission at last session, in consequence of which Grand Representative Riddell did not receive his mileage and per diem for attendance at said session at St. Catharines, and would recommend that he be paid, the amount being \$5.40.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

FRANCIS RAE.
M. J. BEAM.
H. ROWLAND.
R. W. MEAD.
W. D. LAWRIE.
JOHN SINCLAIR.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE AND PER DIEM.

Grand Representative Riddell Chairman of the Committee on Mileage and Per Diem, presented the following report, which was adopted :

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KINGSTON, July 22nd, 1890.

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

Your Committee on Mileage and Per Diem beg to report that they have carefully examined the distance travelled by the several Representatives, Grand Officers and Past Grand Officers, and recommend that they be paid at the rate of five cents per mile one way and three dollars per diem for their attendance at this session of the Grand Encampment.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK RIDDELL.
J. W. CUNNINGHAM.
W. F. BROCKENSHIRE,
JOHN ANDREW.
E. J. SPACKMAN.
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TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM, FOR 1890.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT, No.	PLACE.	MILES.	MILEAGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL.	REPRESENTATIVE.
1	Montreal.	172	\$ 8 60	\$ 3 00	\$ 11 60	D. J. Dickson.
2	Montreal	172	8 60	3 00	11 60	E. J. Briggs.
1	Moohassuck	233	11 65	3 00	14 65	A. E. Swartz.
1	Union.	386	19 30	3 00	22 30	R. S. McDonald.
2	Frontier.	386	19 30	3 00	22 30	Geo. Bruce.
2	"	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	Thos. Brock.
3	Harmony.	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	E. T. Essry.
4	"	228	11 40	3 00	14 40	Mathew Truesdale.
4	Brantford.	253	12 65	3 00	15 65	Jas. R. Boothby.
5	Charity	263	13 15	3 00	16 15	M. J. Beam.
6	St. Marys	263	13 15	3 00	16 15	P. McCandlish.
7	Beaver	201	10 05	3 00	13 05	F. W. Unitt.
7	Burlington.	161	8 05	3 00	11 05	Thos. Colby.
8	Toronto	161	8 05	3 00	11 05	W. W. Wood.
8	"	161	8 05	3 00	11 05	A. Savage.
9	Brockville.	46½	2 30	3 00	5 30	Samuel Cliddo.
10	Chatham	340	17 00	3 00	20 00	N. S. Young.
11	Ontario	127	6 35	3 00	9 35	D. Vickers.
12	Oshawa.	118	5 90	3 00	8 90	W. I. Challoner.
13	Bowmanville.	118	5 90	3 00	8 90	R. F. Elliott.
13	Whitby	131	6 55	3 00	9 55	Daniel Henwood.
14	Strathroy.	300	15 00	3 00	18 00	E. J. Spackman.
15	Fidelity	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	G. R. Brown.
15	Kingston	.....	.....	3 00	3 00	J. B. Sqaunce.
16	Napanee	26	1 30	3 00	4 30	W. J. Keiffer.
17	Hebron	289	14 45	3 00	17 45	Harry Rowland.
19	Parkehill.	50	2 50	3 00	5 50	Jas. R. Campbell.
20	Belleville.	297	14 85	3 00	17 85	John Sinclair.
20	St. Thomas.	297	14 85	3 00	17 85	Jacob Stinson.
21	Ingersoll.	261	13 05	3 00	16 05	
22	"	245	12 25	3 00	15 25	
23	Niagara Falls.	331	16 55	3 00	19 55	
24	Friendship.	331	16 55	3 00	19 55	

Victoria	101	5 05	3 00	8 05	Jas. Shanks.
Alpha	320	16 45	3 00	19 45	Wm. Keist.
Huron	204	14 70	3 00	17 70	
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Victoria	101	5 05	3 00	8 05	Jas. Shanks,
Alpha	25	16 45	3 00	19 45	Wm. Knight,
Waton	28	14 70	3 00	17 70	H. F. Powell,
Wentworth	30	10 35	3 00	15 35	Chas. Cortis,
Wellington	31	10 45	3 00	13 45	W. D. Lawrie,
Newmarket	32	9 80	3 00	12 80	E. J. Spackman,
Exeter	33	11 55	3 00	18 55	Wm. Rudd,
Dresden	37	17 60	3 00	20 60	John Barned,
Adelphiian	38	14 00	3 00	17 00	M. G. Hay,
Excelsior	39	17 10	3 00	20 10	T. Bruce,
Dufferin	41	16 55	3 00	19 55	W. Warnock, Jr.,
Aylmer	42	13 60	3 00	16 60	Daniel Wilson,
Collingwood	45	14 45	3 00	17 45	W. F. Brockenshire,
Minerva	47	11 25	3 00	14 25	J. K. Master,
Samaritan	49	18 05	3 00	21 05	S. J. Willcock,
Rehoboth	50	11 00	3 00	14 00	D. T. Hind,
Bridley	52	6 10	3 00	9 10	T. Gallagher,
Outsounis	53	11 35	3 00	14 35	Geo. H. Sewery,
Maple Leaf	54	12 50	3 00	15 50	Thos. Milbourn,
Mt. Hebron	55	7 10	3 00	10 10	D. H. Moore,
Phoenix	56	17 25	3 00	20 25	John Andrew,
Waba	57	6 75	3 00	9 75	A. D. Campbell,
Moira	58	2 50	3 00	5 50	J. A. Coon,
" "	59	2 50	3 00	5 50	H. Ashley,
Central	60	19 50	3 00	22 50	Ed. L. Park,
Amicus	61	13 15	3 00	16 15	Jas. McAllister,
Galt	62	11 45	3 00	14 45	A. H. Blackaby,
Simcoe	63	14 15	3 00	17 15	R. W. Mead,
Ivy	64	4 65	3 00	7 65	J. W. Cunningham,
Eureka	65	5 85	3 00	8 85	S. S. Merick,
Hiawatha	66	7 10	3 00	10 10	R. W. Bell,
Aurora	67	9 65	3 00	12 65	Thos. G. Holmes,
Forest	69	15 40	3 00	18 40	A. F. Steele,
Golden	70	64 45	3 00	67 45	F. A. Wilson,
Rat Portage	1,289				

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TABLE OF MILEAGE AND PER DIEM, FOR 1890.—Continued.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	NO.	PLACE.	MILES.	MILEAGE.	PER DIEM.	TOTAL.	REPRESENTATIVE.
Trenton.....	71	Trenton.....	60	\$ 3 00	\$ 3 00	\$ 6 00	Aaron Jones.
Relioboth.....	50	Toronto.....	161	8 05	3 00	11 05	OFFICERS. J. T. Hornbrook.
Waba.....	58	Amrpor.....	135	6 75	3 00	9 75	John A. Macdonald.
Montreal.....	1	Montreal.....	172	8 60	3 00	11 60	H. A. Jackson.
Harmony.....	3	London.....	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	M. D. Dawson.
Adelphian.....	38	".....	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	Edmund Beltz.
Ontario.....	11	Oshawa.....	127	6 35	3 00	9 35	Francis Rae.
Adelphian.....	38	London.....	280	14 00	3 00	17 00	Frank Ri dell.
Elgin.....	20	St. Thomas.....	282	14 10	3 00	17 10	Fred. Doggett.
Outsounis.....	53	Ottawa.....	122	6 10	3 00	9 10	Freeman L. Daniels.
Charity.....	5	Stratford.....	255	12 75	3 00	15 75	J. J. Bunting.
".....	5	".....	253	12 63	3 00	15 63	P. G. P., J. Welsh.
".....	5	".....	253	12 63	3 00	15 63	P. G. P., Jno. Gibson.
Rehob th.....	5	".....	161	8 05	3 00	11 05	P. G. P., Jos. Oliver.
Adelphian.....	50	Toronto.....		5 40		5 40	Frank Riddell.
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF ONTARIO.

Past Grand Patriarch Oliver presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved,—“ That the thanks of this Grand Encampment be tendered to His Worship the Mayor of Kingston and corporation, also to Kingston Encampment and Canton Catarqui for their attention and courtesy to the delegates during the present session.”

JOS. OLIVER,
HARRY ROWLAND.

The Grand Encampment went into secret session at 4.30 for the exemplification of the unwritten work by Grand Representative Rae.

Resumed regular session at 5 o'clock.

Representative Colby presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

“ That the sum of three dollars be granted the Janitor for attendance at this Grand Body.”

T. COLBY.
F. W. UNITT.

On page 912 Journal of Proceedings, 1889, the following resolution was adopted :

“ That our Grand Representatives be instructed to give notice of motion in Sovereign Grand Lodge that the Constitution be so amended as to allow a member holding an Encampment Card to visit Subordinate Lodges on that Card.”

Was such notice of motion given by our Grand Representatives ?

D. J. DICKSON,
Montreal Encampment, No. 1.

The Grand Patriarch answered that the matter was overlooked, but that it would be attended to the present year.

Grand Representative F. Riddell presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

“ That the Grand Scribe be instructed to procure from the Sovereign Grand Lodge sufficient copies of the New Installation Ceremony, as passed at the last session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, to be supplied to Subordinate Encampments at cost.”

FRANK RIDDELL.
F. RAE.

QUESTION.—Can the Captain of a Canton in the department of Ontario communicate the checkword to a Chevalier of his Canton in good standing without instructions from the Encampment to which the Chevalier may belong ?

ANSWER.—None but the Grand Patriarch of an Encampment can give the checkword.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

Grand Patriarch J. T. Hornibrook then proceeded to install the Grand Officers elect for the ensuing year in the following order, viz. :

- JOHN A. MACDONALD, Armprior..... Grand Patriarch.
- D. H. MOORE, Peterborough..... Grand High Priest.
- FRED. DOGGETT, St. Thomas..... Grand Senior Warden.
- M. D. DAWSON, London..... Grand Scribe.
- EDMUND BELTZ, London..... Grand Treasurer.

FREEMAN I. DANIELS, Ottawa..... Grand Junior Warden.
 R. S. McDONALD, Windsor..... Grand Marshal.
 N. S. YOUNG, Bowmanville..... Grand Sentinel.
 A. E. SWAYZE, St. Catharines..... Grand O. Sentinel.

Past Grand Representative Rae presented the following resolution, which was adopted :

Resolved,—"That the thanks of this Grand Encampment are due and are hereby tendered to Grand Patriarch Hornibrook for the faithful manner in which he has discharged the duties of Grand Patriarch during the past year."

The Grand Encampment closed at 5.30 p.m. with the usual formalities.

M. D. DAWSON,

GRAND SCRIBE.

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REINSTATEMENTS.

The following are the Reinstatements to the 30th June, 1890:

- HARMONY ENCAMPMENT, No. 3, LONDON.—John Sanders.
 ONTARIO ENCAMPMENT, No. 11, OSHAWA.—W. Noon.
 KINGSTON ENCAMPMENT, No. 15, KINGSTON.—W. M. Drenan.
 UNITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, INGERSOLL.—James Moore.
 NIAGARA FALLS ENCAMPMENT, No. 23, NIAGARA FALLS.—J. Frotheringham.
 VICTORIA ENCAMPMENT, No. 25, PORT HOPE.—H. V. Fairbairn.
 EXETER ENCAMPMENT, No. 33, EXETER.—Arthur Hoskin.
 MOUNT HEBRON ENCAMPMENT, No. 56, PETERBOROUGH.—J. L. Smith.

SUSPENSIONS.

The following are the Suspensions to the 30th June, 1890.

- UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, ST. CATHARINES.—W. H. Nosbury, for non-payment of dues.
 MONTREAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, MONTREAL.—R. A. Gremer, P. Doit, A. Parate, W. Lane, D. M. Johnston, J. E. Hayden, W. R. S. Wilson, J. W. Staddt, R. White, H. Hevysage, C. E. DeWolf, Jas. Sweeney, Jas. McLaughlin, John J. Head and S. R. Clendenning, for non-payment of dues.
 FRONTIER ENCAMPMENT, No. 2, WINDSOR.—P. A. Ackman, Wm. Latham, J. W. Rigs, A. L. McCrae, W. W. Phillips, Geo. Leslie and W. H. Jarmins, for non-payment of dues.
 HARMONY ENCAMPMENT, No. 3, LONDON.—Wm. Phillips, R. Griffiths, H. Elms, A. C. Stewart and Samuel Friendship, for non-payment of dues.
 BRANT ENCAMPMENT, No. 4, BRANTFORD.—C. W. Clement, G. Arnold, C. Gunsted, B. Hume, J. E. Berks, J. C. Heaton, C. Garaier, W. G. Brown and R. J. Fraser, for non-payment of dues.
 CHARITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 5, STRATFORD.—Colin Ireland and Bert E. Tilly, for non-payment of dues.
 BURLINGTON ENCAMPMENT, No. 7, HAMILTON.—George Smyth, James Lowery, John Milne and A. Blakessie, for non-payment of dues.
 BROCK ENCAMPMENT, No. 9, BROCKVILLE.—David Clark and Lonson Laishley, for non-payment of dues.
 FIDELITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 14, STRATHROY.—Jas. Fullerton, J. W. Baskerville, John Robson, J. W. Stevens and W. B. Lindsay, for non-payment of dues in Subordinate Lodge.
 MT. ARARAT ENCAMPMENT, No. 16, NAPANEE.—R. McDonald, W. E. Sills, S. J. Clare, S. F. Clapp, C. A. Cornell and John Preston, for non-payment of dues.

- HEBRON ENCAMPMENT, No. 17, PARKHILL.—Joseph Thompson, for non-payment of dues.
- ELGIN ENCAMPMENT, No. 20, ST. THOMAS.—A. S. McDonald, T. W. Crothers, J. C. Lindop, R. A. Marr, D. McBain, D. McKay, Wm. Walden and F. Westlake, for non payment of dues.
- UNITY ENCAMPMENT, No. 21, INGERSOLL.—J. G. Campbell, A. C. Size, R. W. Smith, Wm. Sutherland, Geo. S. McDonald, John Tumey, John Morgan and S. A. Martin, for non-payment of dues.
- NIAGARA FALLS ENCAMPMENT, No. 23, NIAGARA FALLS.—Wm. Nichols, for non-payment of dues.
- FRIENDSHIP ENCAMPMENT, No. 24, PETROLIA.—Wm. Harding, Geo. J. Newton, Thos Dunlop and Alex. Hughes, for non-payment of dues.
- LIVINGSTONE ENCAMPMENT, No. 29, THOROLD.—W. J. Murray and W. H. Bone, for non-payment of dues.
- WELLINGTON ENCAMPMENT, No. 30, GUELPH.—E. W. McGuire and Jas Parker, for non-payment of dues.
- NEWMARKET ENCAMPMENT, No. 32, NEWMARKET.—L. Algo, F. S. W. Cook, Geo. Wallis, J. Brodie, J. Hewitt, Chas. Newburn, Frank Terry, Jas. Tattersall and J. Darbrook, for non-payment of dues.
- EXETER ENCAMPMENT, No. 33, EXETER.—Wm. Leigh, for non-payment of dues.
- ROYAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 36, HAMILTON.—T. H. Baarile, A. S. Caldey, H. G. Wright, A. Stewart, J. L. Schwaes, C. G. Treble and John Stewart, for non-payment of dues.
- ADELPHIAN ENCAMPMENT, No. 38, LONDON.—Geo. Heron, David Smith, J. T. Stephenson, E. Hunt, W. J. Crone, W. W. Wright, John Dawson, J. A. Frise, W. C. Manning, C. F. Colwell, Samuel Smith and H. Merritt, for non-payment of dues.
- EXCELSIOR ENCAMPMENT, No. 39, RIDGETOWN.—W. Tolmie, P. Caughell, H. R. Lyon, G. G. Fraser, G. W. Thomas, Arch. A. Gibson, Sylvester Potts and John Johnston, for non-payment of dues.
- DUFFERIN ENCAMPMENT, No. 41, POINT EDWARD.—D. Currie and H. Telford, for non-payment of dues.
- AYLMER ENCAMPMENT, No. 42, AYLMEER.—Geo. Hall, O. Allen, E. Walker, R. A. Walsh and J. Cottingham, for non-payment of dues.
- COLLINGWOOD ENCAMPMENT, No. 45, COLLINGWOOD.—John McGuire, Chas. Peck and James Russell, for non-payment of dues.
- SAUGEEN VALLEY ENCAMPMENT, No. 46, WALKERTON.—Alex. Burness, Alex. Adams and Meno Kauffman, for non-payment of dues.
- SAMARITAN ENCAMPMENT, No. 49, BERLIN.—H. E. Oberholtzer and T. J. West, for non-payment of dues.
- REHOBOTH ENCAMPMENT, No. 50, TORONTO.—F. W. Butler, W. Ryna and S. C. R. Crocker, for non-payment of dues.
- MIZPAH ENCAMPMENT, No. 54, BARRIE.—James Castle and Urson E. Sewery, for non-payment of dues.
- PHENIX ENCAMPMENT, No. 57, WALLACEBURG.—L. H. Gillard, W. C. Lee, D. J. McDonald, Geo. Cruickshank and A. J. Shipley, for non-payment of dues.

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MOIRA ENCAMPMENT, No. 59, BELLEVILLE.—W. Warham, J. S. Grothers, W. Roblin, I. Moorman, J. A. Wheeler, D. J. Hay, J. Roberts, G. F. Crow and M. W. Mandoff, for non-payment of dues.

CENTRAL ENCAMPMENT, No. 60, ESSEX CENTRE.—J. A. C. Balstone, E. Dunstan, James Oliver, W. L. Burdick, Geo. Thornton, J. A. Stone, S. McAnamy, A. H. Anderson, W. C. White, Joseph White, W. H. Edgar, J. Loyst, Wm. Langley, J. H. Wigle, J. Clements, E. Carnahan, M. Johnson and C. Lovelace, for non-payment of dues.

AURORA ENCAMPMENT, No. 67, AURORA.—John Nelson, Wm. Quinn, John T. Wells, A. G. H. Andrews and A. Kyle, for non-payment of dues.

FOREST ENCAMPMENT, No. 69, FOREST.—S. H. Slipper and Chas. Stewart, for non-payment of dues.

EXPULSIONS.

The following are the Expulsions to the 30th June, 1890.

UNION ENCAMPMENT, No. 1, ST. CATHARINES.—Mark Tucker, for conduct unbecoming an Oddfellow.

BROCK ENCAMPMENT, No. 9, BROCKVILLE.—A. C. J. Kaufman, convicted in a Court of Justice of forgery, date not given.

MOIRA ENCAMPMENT, No. 59, BELLEVILLE.—G. D. Turner, for being expelled from Subordinate Lodge.



DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND PATRIARCHS.

C. R. WILLIS (503 Napoleon Road).....	Montreal Encampment, No. 1	
" " " "	Moshassack " " 2	
D. M. WALKER.....	Union " " 1	
JAS. G. MORGAN.....	Frontier " " 2	
WM. J. KEIFFER (St. Thomas)	Harmony " " 3	
CHAS. M. READ.....	Brant " " 4	
HENRY BAKER.....	Charity " " 5	
W. N. FORD.....	Beaver " " 6	
P. McCANDLISH.....	Burlington " " 7	
WM. WOODLEY.....	Toronto " " 8	
A. Y. KENDALL.....	Brook " " 9	
JOHN McCORVIE.....	Chatham " " 10	
WM. McCULLOUGH (Bowmanville).....	Ontario " " 11	
" " " "	Albert " " 12	
DAVID VICKERS.....	Whitby " " 13	
P. H. JOHNSON.....	Fidelity " " 14	
GEO. LEE.....	Kingston " " 15	
GEO. A. BLEWETT.....	Mt. Ararat " " 16	
N. A. MCKINNON.....	Hebron " " 17	
GEO. R. BROWN.....	Quinte " " 19	
E. T. ESSERY (London).....	Elgin " " 20	
JOHN ANDREWS.....	Unity " " 21	
J. R. PECKHAM.....	Niagara Falls " " 23	
B. F. KITTREDGE.....	Friendship " " 24	
WM. McCULLOUGH, (Bowmanville)	Victoria " " 25	
JOHN ROSS.....	Alpha " " 26	
J. W. SMITH.....	Huron " " 28	
THOS. COWAN.....	Livingstone " " 29	
H. F. POWELL.....	Wentworth " " 30	
SAML. LAW (Guelph).....	Wellington " " 31	
E. McCORMICK.....	Newmarket " " 32	
A. E. FUKI.....	Exeter " " 33	
P. McCANDLISH.....	Royal " " 36	
WM. SLATER.....	Dresden " " 37	
WM. J. KEIFFER (St. Thomas).....	Adelphian " " 38	
R. C. YOUNG.....	Excelsior " " 39	
SILAS JONES.....	Dufferin " " 41	
GEORGE F. CLARK.....	Aylmer " " 42	
DANIEL WILSON.....	Collingwood " " 45	
JOS. A. ROTHWELL.....	Saugeen Valley " " 46	
A. J. MCGREGOR.....	Minerva " " 47	

	SAML. LAW (Guelph).....	Samaritan Encampment, No. 49	
	WM. WOODLEY.....	Rehoboth	" " 50
	W. R. HICKEY.....	Bothwell	" " 51
	J. B. McMICKEN.....	Ridgeley	" " 52
	A. W. CAMERON.....	Outaouais	" " 53
	E. W. KING.....	Mizpah	" " 54
	WM. IZZARD.....	Maple Leaf	" " 55
	THOS. WORKMAN.....	Mt. Hebron	" " 56
	JOHN HOWARD.....	Phoenix	" " 57
	JOSEPH MCDUGALL.....	Waba	" " 58
	GEO. R. BROWN.....	Moira	" " 59
	CHAS. C. CHASE.....	Central	" " 60
	JAMES McALASTER.....	Amicus	" " 61
	SAML. LAW (Guelph).....	Galt	" " 62
	R. W. MEAD (Pt. Dover).....	Simcoe	" " 63
	WM. McCULLOUGH (Bowmanville).....	Ivy	" " 64
	DAVID CRANE.....	Eureka	" " 65
	THOS. EMERSON.....	Hiawatha	" " 66
	CHAS. COLLETT.....	Aurora	" " 67
	NEWTON TRIPP.....	Forest	" " 69
	T. A. WILSON (Keewatin).....	Golden	" " 70
	AARON JONES.....	Trenton	" " 71



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NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE OFFICERS
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GRAND ENCAMPMENT, I. O. O. F.
— OF THE —
Province of Ontario, for 1890 and 1891.

JNO. A. MACDONALD.....	GRAND PATRIARCH.....	Arnprior
D. H. MOORE.....	GRAND HIGH PRIEST.....	Peterborough
FRED. DOGGETT.....	GRAND SENIOR WARDEN.....	St. Thomas
M. D. DAWSON.....	GRAND SCRIBE.....	London
EDMUND BELTZ.....	GRAND TREASURER.....	London
FRANK RIDDELL.....	GRAND REPRESENTATIVE S.G.L.....	London
J. T. HORNIBROOK.....	“ “ “ “.....	Toronto
FREEMAN I. DANIELS.....	GRAND JUNIOR WARDEN.....	Ottawa
R. S. McDONALD.....	GRAND MARSHAL.....	Windsor
N. S. YOUNG.....	GRAND SENTINEL.....	Bowmanville
A. E. SWAYZE.....	GRAND O. SENTINEL.....	St. Catharines

PAST GRAND PATRIARCHS.

JAMES WOODYATT.....	Brantford.....	1869-1870
S. G. DOLSON.....	St. Catharines.....	1870-1871
HENRY McAFEE.....	Walkerville.....	1871-1872
ADAM PURVES.....	St. Catharines.....	1872-1873
JOHN HAM PERRY.....	Whitby.....	1873-1874
JOHN GIBSON.....	Stratford.....	1874-1875
HARPER WILSON.....	St. Catharines.....	1875-1876
W. H. COLE.....	Brockville.....	1876-1877
THOS. WOODYATT.....	Brantford.....	1877-1878
E. R. ROBINSON.....	London.....	1878-1879
ROBT. EVANS.....	Hamilton.....	1879-1880
JOHN DONOUGH.....	Toronto.....	1880-1881
FRANCIS RAE.....	Oshawa.....	1881-1882
W. D. GORDON.....	Kingston.....	1882-1883
HECTOR URQUHART.....	Strathroy.....	1883-1884
JOS. OLIVER.....	Toronto.....	1884-1885
JOHN WELSH.....	Stratford.....	1885-1886
FRANK RIDDELL.....	London.....	1886-1887
JOHN SINCLAIR.....	Petrolia.....	1887-1888
ABNER FRASER.....	Hamilton.....	1888-1889
J. T. HORNIBROOK.....	Toronto.....	1889-1890

Executive Officers of Subordinate Encampments Elected and Installed for Term Commencing July 1st, 1890.

NAME OF ENCAMPMENT.	No	LOCATION.	CHIEF PATRIARCH	SCRIBE.	NIGHT OF MEETING.
Montreal	1	Montreal	A. W. Staveloy	M. Kollmar	2d and 4th Wednesday
Moshasuck	2	Montreal	J. J. Head	H. Call	2d and 4th Thursday
Union	1	St. Catharines	S. McPherson	A. E. Swayze	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Frontier	2	Windsor	W. Douglas	J. B. Churchill	2d and 4th Thursday
Harmony	3	London	Thos. Roe	Alf. Davis	2d and 4th Friday
Brant	4	London	C. Greys	F. J. Greeny	1st and 3rd Friday
Charity	5	Stratford	Samuel H. Weir	Jas. R. Boothby	2d and 4th Thursday
Beaver	6	St. Marys	W. N. Ford	John Reid	1st and 3rd Friday
Burlington	7	Hamilton	Wm. Donaghy	Geo. Brito	1st and 2d Thursday
Toronto	8	Toronto	Samuel Holmes	J. W. Russell	2d and 4th Monday
Brook	9	Brackville	H. B. Coates	C. C. Lyman	1st Thursday each mth
Chatham	10	Chatham	T. V. Challioner	W. W. Mitchell	1st and 3rd Thursday
Ontario	11	O-hawa	A. Jacobi	C. H. Crpiale	2d and 4th Friday
Albert	12	Howmanville	T. F. Richardson	W. McCullough	2d and 4th Monday
Whi by	13	Whitby	S. Campbell	John Noble	1st and 3rd Friday
Fidelity	14	Strathroy	Wm. L. Challoner	C. Greenway	2d and 4th Tuesday
Kingston	15	Kingston	W. J. Moore	J. Powley	2d and 4th Monday
Mt. Ararat	16	Napanee	Wm. Blewett	W. Burnes	2d and 4th Wednesday
Quinte	19	Belleville	J. E. Walsmsley	W. Pringle	2d and 4th Wednesday
Elgin	20	St. Thomas	W. W. Stringer	L. Ferguson	1st and 3rd Monday
Unity	21	Ingersoll	D. M. Sutherland	W. Brett	2d and 4th Tuesday
Niagara Falls	23	Niagara Falls	Jno. T. Blair	Jas. R. Campbell	2da. 4th Wednesday
Friendship	24	Petrolia	Jas. F. Drapper	B. F. Kittredge	2d and 4th Thursday
Victoria	25	Fort Hope	K. C. Smith	J. H. Magill	2d and 4th Friday
Alpha	26	Sarnia	Jas. Skroch	John Ross	1st and 3rd Wednesday
Huron	28	Goderich	Geo. H. Nairie	C. A. Nairie	2d and 4th Monday
Livingstone	29	Thorold	W. Forrest	Wm. McCleary	1st and 3rd Friday
Wentworth	30	Dundas	A. Wicks	Samuel Law	1st Tues. of each mth.
Wellington	31	Guelph	W. D. Lawrie	R. H. Brimson	1st and 3rd Thursday
Newmarket	32	Newmarket	A. Hoskin	A. E. Fuke	2d and 4th Thursday
Exeter	33	Exeter	Wm. Murray	Alf. Tory	1st and 3rd Monday
Royal	36	Ha wilton	L. V. Peters	Wm. Rudd	2d and 4th Thursday
Dresden	37	Dresden	C. H. Bayley	John Bernard	2d and 4th Friday
Adelphian	38	London	John C. Locke	R. C. Young	1st and 4th Monday
Excelsior	39	Ridgetown	Jno. McMillan	G. A. Mitchell	1st and 3rd Tuesday
Dufferin	41	Pt. Edward	C. Watson	Jno. E. Richards	2d and 4th Monday
Aylmer	42	Aylmer	Fred. J. Telfer	Samuel Wood	1st and 3rd Friday
Collingwood	45	Collingwood	Ed. Bolts	H. D. Wettlinger	1st Monday in Jan. and alternate Mondays
Saugen Valley	46	Walkerton	Robt. Elliott	A. McGregor	2d and 4th Monday
Minerva	47	Wingham	W. Caeries	J. K. Master	2d and 4th Tuesday
Samarian	49	Berlin	M. Rosenthal	G. J. Lovell	1st Thurs. y each mth.
Rehoboth	50	Toronto	J. A. Burwash	J. D. Crideton	1st Thurs. y each mth.
Bothwell	51	Bothwell	A. Hudson	G. Lindsay	1st and 3rd Friday
Ridgely	52	Jarvis	Chas. J. Lane	E. W. King	2d Friday each mth.
Outvounts	53	Ottawa	Geo. McGregor	Thos. Milburn	2d and 4th Thursday
Milpah	54	Barrie	R. Melligan	A. McIntosh	2d and 4th Tuesday
Maple Leaf	55	Woodstock	T. S. Hodges	Rev. C. Miles	2d and 4th Tuesday
Mt. Hebron	56	Peterborough	M. D. Graham	A. D. Campbell	2d Friday each mth.
Phoenix	57	Wallaceburg	J. Middlemiss	J. D. Colby	1st and 3rd Thursday
Waba	58	Amprior	T. B. Scott	G. F. Hill	2d and 4th Tuesday
Moura	59	Belleville	W. H. Miller	G. E. Walker	2d and 4th Tuesday
Central	60	Essex Centre	Wm. Hunter	W. A. Dennis	2d and 4th Thursday
Amicus	61	Norwich	Geo. Williamson	C. A. Chadwick	1st Thursday on or after full moon.
Galt	62	Galt	Alfred Milne	J. G. Hagerman	1st and 3rd Monday
Simcoe	63	Simcoe	W. R. Simpson	S. S. Merick	1st and 3rd Monday
Ivy	64	Col'ourg	Geo. J. Early	Thos. Armstrong	2d and 4th Friday
Eureka	65	Carleton Place	H. J. Charles	Geo. H. Stone	2d and 4th Monday
Hiawatha	66	Peterborough	Frank Steele	J. D. Livingstone	2d and 4th Thursday
Aurora	67	Aurora	N. Schnarr	Geo. Barnes	2d and 4th Tuesday
Golden	69	Forest	C. L. Hawley	A. E. Mundy	1st and 3rd Monday
Forget	70	Rat Fortage			
Trenton	71	Trenton			

SPECIAL NOTICE TO SCRIBES.

The certificates of Past Chief Patriarch, and Representatives to Grand Encampment should be forwarded to the Grand Scribe immediately after the installation of officers.

Past Chief Patriarchs and Representatives shall be furnished with a duplicate Certificate by the Scribe, in order to avoid any possible inconvenience arising out of the miscarriage of the original. Especially should this be the case when Past Chief Patriarchs present themselves for admission to the Grand Encampment some time after they have passed the chairs.

The Per Capita Tax is twenty-five cents for each member upon the roll at the last stated meeting in the term.

Charge books cannot be delivered except upon the special order of an Encampment, signed by the Chief Patriarch and Scribe, and attested by the Seal, and the old Charge Books must in all cases be returned to the Grand Scribe.

When old Charge Books cannot be returned by the hands of a Patriarch, they should be sealed up and sent by express.

The money must accompany all orders for supplies of all kinds, and all orders must be signed by the Scribe and attested by the seal of the Encampment.

Post Office Money Orders are recommended as a safe mode of transmitting money.

Supplies are furnished to Encampments in this Jurisdiction at the following rates, viz. :

Charge Books.....	\$ 2 50
Books of Law, each.....	40
Digest.....	3 00
Emblematic Chart.....	3 00
Visiting Cards, each.....	28
Withdrawal Cards, each.....	28
Dismissal Certificates.....	28
"Orders for P. W." in Books.....	50
Register Books, each.....	3 50
Proposition Books, each.....	3 25
Black Books, each.....	2 00
Draft Books, each.....	2 00
Treasurers' Books, each.....	1 00
Receipt Books, each.....	1 75
Return Books, each.....	1 00
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Notices of Arrears, per 100.....	1 00

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Memoriam.

- No. 1—W. J. KAY..... Montreal, Dec., 1889.
- No. 3 { PHIL. BROOKS..... London, Sept. 13th, 1889.
WM. RICH..... London, Jan. 9th, 1890.
- No. 5 { JOHN HUMPHREY, P.C.P. Stratford, Dec. 30th, 1889.
ALEX. SCRIMEGEUR..... Stratford (no date given).
JOS. H. DUFTON..... Stratford (no date given).
- No. 8 { PETER BLACK..... Toronto, Sept. 4th, 1889.
H. DAVIDSON..... Toronto, Jan. 13th, 1890.
- No. 9—ROBERT FITZSIMMONS..... Brockville, May 15th, 1890.
- No. 12—N. M. GAGE..... Bowmanville, July 18th, 1889.
- No. 15 { GEO. MCMAHON..... Kingston, Dec. 25th, 1889.
W. HEALEY..... Kingston, Feb. 6th, 1890.
N. WOODROW..... Kingston, May 2nd, 1890.
- No. 16 { N. F. PAISLEY, Napanee, (omitted last report) Jan. 18, '89.
WM. ALLAN..... Napanee, July 15th, 1889.
WM. N. HOSEY..... Napanee Dec. 30th, 1889.
- No. 21—GEO. DENNIS, P.C.P..... Ingersoll, March 21st, 1890.
- No. 28—JOHN NAINE..... Goderich, Jan. 20th, 1890.
- No. 31—JAMES PHILLIPS, P.C.P..... Guelph, May 22d, 1890.
- No. 32 { W. H. BENTLEY..... Newmarket, Sept. 19th, 1889.
A. N. CHANTLER..... Newmarket, July 22nd, 1889.
R. A. SMITH..... Newmarket, Feb. 28th, 1890.
- No. 36—H. T. DOWVILLE..... Hamilton (no date given).
- No. 42—J. B. MATTHEWS..... Aylmer, Dec. 28th, 1889.
- No. 53—H. P. BARNES..... Ottawa, April 2nd, 1890.
- No. 57—LORENZO LEEPER..... Wallaceburg, July 22nd, 1889.
- No. 59 { R. WHITHERSPOON..... Belleville, Aug. 22nd, 1889.
GEO. EASTON..... Belleville, Oct. 24th, 1889.
M. PERKINS..... Belleville, Jan. 2nd, 1890.
- No. 60—J. S. ROSE..... Essex Centre, Sept. 1st, 1889.
- No. 62 { JOHN H. KINSMAN..... Galt, Jan. 19th, 1890.
JOHN PERCEY..... Galt, April 17th, 1890.
- No. 66—WM. M. MUNRO..... Peterborough, Feb. 23rd, 1890.

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REPORT
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Representatives to Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
SESSION 1890.
Held at Topeka, Kansas

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

PATRIARCHS.—Your Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge have the honor to report that they attended the *Sixty sixth* Annual Communication of that Grand Body, held in the City of Topeka, Kansas, commencing on Monday, 15th September, 1890, and closing on Saturday, the 20th.

On Monday morning there was a reception at the Grand Opera House, where addresses of welcome were presented by Governor Lyman U. Humphrey, on behalf of the State; Rev. Dr. F. S. McCabe, on behalf of the City; P. G. M. and P. G. Representative Jno. M. Price, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Kansas; Grand Patriarch D. M. Ferguson, on behalf of the Grand Encampment of Kansas. Each address was responded to most eloquently by Grand Sire Jno. C. Underwood.

At the close of the reception the Sovereign Grand Lodge were escorted to the State House, where the Session was opened in Representative Hall.

The Grand Sire appointed Bro. A. C. Cable, Deputy Grand Master of Ohio, Grand Marshal, vice John H. Albin, resigned.

There were present the following:

OFFICERS.

JOHN C. UNDERWOOD.....	Grand Sire
CHARLES M. BUSBEE.....	Deputy Grand Sire
THEO. A. ROSS.....	Grand Secretary
ISAAC A. SHEPPARD.....	Grand Treasurer
ALLEN JENCKES.....	Assistant Grand Secretary
REV. J. W. VENABLE.....	Grand Chaplain
A. C. CABLE.....	Grand Marshal
JOHN W. PERKINS.....	Grand Guardian
W. H. FRAZIER.....	Grand Messenger

PAST GRAND SIREs.

James B. Nicholson, of Pennsylvania; James P. SanJers, of New York;
John H. White, of New York.

REPRESENTATIVES.

One hundred and sixty-six Representatives representing 54 Grand Lodges
and 45 Grand Encampments.

The Grand Chaplain, Bro. J. W. Venable, of Kentucky, addressed the
Throne of Grace, after which the Deputy Grand Sire declared the Grand Lodge
open for business.

CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

We quote the following from the report of the Grand Sire:

COLUMBUS, OHIO, September 10th, 1890.

To the Sovereign Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Oddfellows:

OFFICERS AND GRAND REPRESENTATIVES—GENTLEMEN:—It is with much
pleasure and some little pride that I am enabled to announce to you the fact that
the Independent Order of Oddfellows is in a most prosperous condition, having
in nearly every particular surpassed the aggregate gains of the year 1889. The
annual increase in Subordinate membership, as shown by the subjoined tables, is
larger than that of the preceding year; and the aggregate increase for the two
years, officially reported during my term of office, is 60,104 members, larger by
many thousands than that reported for a similar period during the past 26 years.
The steady increase in membership is no longer astonishing for the cause is known
and acknowledged, but it is nevertheless very gratifying and certainly indicative
of the active work done throughout the many sections of the globe.

The advance in revenues is in ratio with that of the numbers; and the extensive
expenditures for relief of various characters, through their vastness, indicate the
vigor, health and liberality of the Order.

The Patriarchs Militant have increased steadily, and such closely fraternal
and display element has advanced in popularity—all as shown by detailed reports
contained herein.

The Rebekah Degree Lodges have grown with even a greater ratio of increase
than indicated by the growth of the other distinct elements of the Fraternity, and
through means of additional numbers, moneys and social influences have contrib-
uted much toward the general prosperity of the Order.

Altogether, progress seems to have been the watchword; and success is un-
doubtedly the resultant of a general co-operation toward advancing the good
work in every branch of the Order. I congratulate you most heartily thereon.

GENERAL CONDITION OF THE ORDER IN THE WORLD.
As Appears from Returns Reporting the Details of its Various Branches.
INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODDFELLOWS.

FROM GRAND SECRETARY'S FILES, DECEMBER 31, 1889.	General data.	ANNUAL.	
		Increase	Decrease.
Sovereign Grand Lodge	1		
Independent Grand Lodges (German Empire and Australasia)	2		
Grand Lodges	65	1	
Subordinate Lodges	9,063	269	
Grand Encampments	49	1	
Subordinate Encampments	2,133	42	
Lodge Initiations	61,570	3,353	
Lodge Members	634,335	30,798	
Encampment Initiations	11,290		
Encampment Members	110,886		275
Aggregate Relief by Lodges and En- campments		3,914	
Aggregate Revenue of Lodges and Encampments	\$2,725,363 92	\$166,208 38	
FROM ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S FILES, SEPTEMBER 1, 1890.	6,798,625 85	361,749 30	
Patriarchs Militant Departments	47		
Component Cantons	592	46	
Mounted Cantons	3	2	
Band Cantons	3		
†Chevaliers made (reported)	3		
*Canton Members	1,741		202
Revenue of Cantons (dues, etc.), est. Value of Military Outfit and other Assets of Cantons	21,018 \$ 168,144 00	1,795 \$ 14,360 00	
FROM GRAND SECRETARY'S FILES, DECEMBER 31, 1889.	1,051,704 71	269,175 88	
Rebekah Degree Lodges	2,016	253	
Brothers admitted during the year	15,135	2,870	
Sisters admitted during the year	15,707	3,476	
Members, Brothers	55,571	8,385	
Members, Sisters	59,822	10,572	
Total Members	115,393	18,957	
Relief by Lodges	\$ 24,042 53	\$ 2,226 77	
Revenue of Lodges	171,159 13	40,516 36	
From all Sources.			
Total Relief	\$2,749,406 45	\$168,435 15	
Total Revenue	7,137,928 98	416,625 66	
Total Membership, male and female. ‡STATISTICS FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31, 1889.	694 157	41 370	
Initiations in Subordinate Lodges	1,650 207	54,570	
Total Relief	\$51,351,268 54	\$2,749,406 45	
Total Receipts	134,973,083 48	7,169,784 08	

† Small decrease occasioned by aged honorary members withdrawing. * Estimating for un-
reported membership, 25,000 Chevaliers. ‡ Does not include Patriarchs Militant.

MANCHESTER UNITY ODDFELLOWS OF ENGLAND.

(From Quarterly Report, April, 1890.)

Number of members January 1st, 1889	638,352
Number admitted during the year	41,412
Loss by death	47,272
Suspensions and secessions	20,602
	27,874
Net increase in 1889	13,538
Total number of members January 1st, 1890	651,890

JUVENILE SOCIETIES.

Number of members January 1st, 1889	50,140
increase in 1889	6,443
	56,583
Number of members January 1st, 1890	56,583
Besides 3,021 transferred to Adult Lodges. (Last report.)	
Adult members	651,890
Juvenile members	56,583
	708,473
Total strength of the Manchester Unity	708,473
Receipts in 1888	\$4,653,113 39
Sick and Funeral Benefits paid in 1888	3,405,835 35
Invested funds January 1st, 1889	35,290,991 06

WHITE ODDFELLOWS ON THE GLOBE JANUARY 1, 1890.

Independent Order	694,157
Manchester Unity	708,473
	1,402,630

Over one-quarter of a million more than reported by the next largest civilized secret society.

APPROVED DECISIONS.

GENERAL.

1. All ballots upon applicants to receive degrees should be spread separately.
2. There can be no legal construction or interpretation of any law which makes it retro-active in its operation and effect, except where it may be remedial in character, or in no manner interferes with vested rights.
3. An amendment to the Constitution of a Subordinate Grand Body is not operative until approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.
4. The costumes used in conferring Lodge and Encampment Degrees form part of the paraphernalia belonging to the secret work and it is improper to make a public display of them.
5. In cases of election to office, the law contemplates each election as a new and first election, and an officer re-elected is subject to the same ceremony of installation as when first elected and installed.
6. Section 173, New Digest, as amended (page 11,397 Revised Journal, 1888), does not contemplate Final or Withdrawal Cards, but refers only to the manner of obtaining Visiting Cards during a recess of the Body from which they issue.
7. The Executive Officers of Subordinate Bodies, I. O. O. F., are the Noble Grand and Secretary of a Lodge; Chief Patriarch and Scribe of an Encampment; Noble Grand and Secretary of a Rebekah Degree Lodge and Commandant and Clerk of a Canton.

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8. All applications for Visiting or Withdrawal Cards, except where Visiting Cards are granted during the recess of a Lodge, Encampment, or Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah, by the Noble Grand and Secretary, or Chief Patriarch and Scribe thereof, must be acted upon by the Lodge or Chief and a Withdrawal Card can be granted only through authority obtained by a ball ballot vote of the Lodge or Encampment. When Visiting Cards are granted by the Noble Grand and Secretary of a Lodge, or Degree Lodge of Daughters of Rebekah, or by the Chief Patriarch and Scribe of an Encampment during a recess of these respective Bodies, report thereof should be made to the next meeting of such Lodge or Encampment.

9. A Lodge or Encampment has not the right to appropriate its funds for charitable purposes in no way connected with the I. O. O. F.; the moneys of the Order should be husbanded for the needs of the Order and not squandered in miscellaneous charities.

10. It is illegal to use the name or emblem of the I. O. O. F. in the transaction of business other than that directly pertaining to the Order.

11. The Executive Officers of a Lodge or Encampment, I. O. O. F., can grant a Visiting Card during the recess between regular meetings to a member in good standing who is an applicant therefor, but they must report their acts to the Body over which they rule.

12. Where a Patriarchal member of the Order dies suddenly without expressing his preference for burial by either his Encampment or Lodge and where both Bodies desire to officiate at the funeral, the matter shall be determined by the expressed wish of the widow (should there be one), or nearest relatives.

13. Where the Constitution of a Grand Lodge or Grand Encampment expresses that an election shall be "by written ballot," the names on the ballots shall be in writing; where "by printed ballot," the names on the ballots shall be printed; where by "written or printed ballot," either of the aforesaid character of ballots will be legal.

14. The term "Subordinate Bodies" and similar expressions apply to Subordinate Lodges, Subordinate Encampments, Cantons, and Rebekah Degree Lodges; while "Subordinate Grand Bodies" and synonymous expressions apply to Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments of jurisdictions, and the Supreme or "Sovereign Body" means the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

15. An officer of a Subordinate Lodge or Encampment elected or appointed to fill a vacancy, who shall serve therein until the end of the term occupies the status of having served a full term in such office, and is entitled to receive the honors of the office passed, whether the service be for one meeting or longer. (See Section 16, page 11,744, Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, session 1889.)

16. QUESTION.—What position does the holder of a Dismissal Certificate occupy?

Answer.—A member dropped for the non-payment of his dues, who subsequently obtains a Dismissal Certificate, by such act demonstrates his good feeling toward the Order and, in the absence of direct law, he should be classed in the same category with Ancient Oddfellows.

17. Every member of the Sovereign Grand Lodge is entitled to receive the Grand Encampment and all other degrees in his official capacity as an officer or a Grand Representative, but the degrees thus obtained confer no privileges; and, their possession do not empower and authorize him to visit a Grand Encampment, Canton, or Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah, unless he is otherwise qualified so to do. (See Section 285, New Digest.)

18. The notice to a Brother to appear before a Trial Committee and defend himself against charges, etc., must be served according to the letter of the law prescribed as a general and local requirement for such service; and when such notice has not been properly served the accused should have the benefit of the partial trial. (See Sections 1,574 and 1,575, Digest, 1889, and local law.)

19. Extracts cannot be taken from the Rituals of the I. O. O. F. for any purpose, except under authority granted by an act of the Sovereign Grand Lodge;

neither is it admissible to photograph groups of ritualistic characters, and thereby represent pictures of any portions of the ritualistic floor work of the various branches of the Order, without special permission of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Committees raised by the Sovereign Body for the express purpose of remodelling and perfecting ritualistic work, etc., possess the privileges delegated through the resolutions adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

20. A decision of the Grand Sire, although approved by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, cannot alter in any respect either Constitutional or Ritualistic law. Such law can be modified, amended and repealed only through and by the process prescribed therefor by the Sovereign Grand Lodge. An approved decision of the Grand Sire is immediately operative in all matters except where a particular manner for making changes in the law is prescribed, and the Constitution and Rituals cannot be altered by resolution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge itself, unless it has taken the course prescribed by law as part of the document sought to be changed.

21. "Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments are authorized to make the terms of their Subordinates one year, instead of six months" (see second resolution, page 11,743 Proceedings Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session 1889); it is, therefore, held that the said Grand Bodies are also authorized to reverse the order and change the term of a Lodge or Encampment from one year to six months; and, during the interim of Sessions of Subordinate Grand Bodies, the Executive Officers thereof possess the right and privilege of granting dispensations to the above effect subject to the approval of their respective Grand Bodies.

22. Instructions, commands and orders issued by superior officers in plain violation of the law, are of no binding force upon Subordinate Bodies, or members, and may be disregarded. (Section 1,118 Digest, applicable to strong Military Body, by analogy and justice should apply to other Subordinates.) Decision of Grand Sire, 1887. That where the Body or Officer making the order or decree has jurisdiction of the subject matter involved in the decree, and of the Body or person affected by it, it cannot be disregarded or disobeyed on the ground that it is erroneous or in violation of law.

23. When the By-Laws of a Subordinate Grand Body provide for an "Annual" Session of the said Grand Body, they mean exactly what is expressed by the letter of the law; and should the time of holding such "Annual" Session be so changed as (by the literal and non-comparative interpretation thereof) to make two sessions of the said Grand Body occur during the same year, the previous character legislation specifying an "Annual" Session should govern, and the Body which (for example) held its Session in February, 1890, cannot meet in "Annual" Session again that year, though the date of meeting be placed in October, or any other month subsequent to February, except by a special enactment providing therefor.

24. A dispensation granted for any particular purpose, is the authority required under the law to enable the person or Body to whom or which it is given, to carry out the purpose, not otherwise legal; the *dispensation-paper* may embrace one or more names of persons to whom is granted the same privilege, or even different privileges separately expressed, and consequently may comprise, within itself, a number of dispensations—as if all were distinct documents. Therefore, where the Constitution of a Grand Body of a jurisdiction authorizes the charging of a revenue fee for dispensations granted by the Executive Grand Officer thereof (see example in Article XI. Constitution, Grand Encampment of Delaware), each dispensation granted should be counted without regard to the combination of names and purposes on the paper, since such writing may comprise many dispensations.

25. The law set forth in the Constitution of a Grand Subordinate and providing for the amendment thereof, is for the purpose of supplying guarded procedure by and through which any part or portion of said instrument may be altered or amended, and does not properly apply to the work of framing a new Constitution for the Grand Body, which should be done by a committee raised for such special purpose, with instructions to report at the next Annual Session

of the said Grand Body, and at which time the committee should submit the proposed new Constitution and the Grand Body take action thereon. Reason: An ample period having been allowed for the preparation of the document, one year's notice of the date of action on the new Constitution, and the members of the Grand Body elected with full knowledge of the question upon which they will be required to vote, is considered a sufficient guard for the interests of the Order.

26. Former members of the I. O. O. F., who were tried upon charges and expelled from the Order because of disregarding the mandates of the Sovereign Grand Lodge with regard to continuing their membership in the Patriarchal Circle, since the legislation of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, pertaining to the subject, at its session of 1889, can regain membership in the I. O. O. F., under procedure stipulated by law for expelled members. Though the referred to late action by the Sovereign Grand Lodge would indicate leniency in the premises, still there is no provision for receiving such former members back into the Subordinate Lodges except through the steps required to be taken by other and all classes of expelled members. The Sovereign Grand Lodge may see proper, in the future, to pass an enabling act, but at present all expelled members from whatsoever cause, must follow the requirements of the law to obtain reinstatement.

All proscriptive legislation with regard to the Patriarchal Circle having been repealed, the affirmation in relation thereto is no longer required.

27. A Subordinate Lodge or Encampment, working in the language of a particular people, possesses the right to receive and initiate an applicant who speaks and more thoroughly understands another language; and for the purposes of interpretation and to convey a more complete knowledge of the ceremony, if it be possible, the ritualistic lectures and charges may be delivered in the mother tongue of the applicant, provided, always, that the Ritual shall have been published therein and that the Pass Words, etc., shall be communicated in English, the universal language for expressing the sounds of such symbolical words. The desideratum is thorough information, and there is even precedent for "two sets of officers" in the case of William Tell Lodge No. 4 of Maryland, which worked alternately in English and German. (See report of Committee on State of Order page 1,100 and decision Grand Sire Stokes, pages 7,532-3. Journal Proceedings G. L. U. S., and Section 1226 on page 275, Digest of 1885.)

28. The Resolution of Grand Representative GLIDDEN of New Hampshire, relating to Insurance Associations which have been refused the use of the name of the Order, etc. (See page 11,833 Proceedings Sovereign Grand Lodge, session 1889,) the decision No. 23 of the Grand Sire (session 1889) and the report of the Committee on Judiciary (page 11,774 Proceedings of Sovereign Grand Lodge, session 1889,) are directly in harmony both by intent and letter of the law.

The insurance business of the whole country is generally authorized through a civil process in States, Territories and Provinces; and companies thus authorized cannot be debarred from transacting a legitimate insurance business under their civil licenses or permits, without regard to the status of the insured as to membership in any secret order, sectarian institution, political party or nationality. However, the Sovereign Grand Lodge and Grand Bodies of Jurisdictions possess the inherent right to control the use of the name of the Order and its emblems, within the limit bounds of the Sovereign or a particular Jurisdiction; and can refuse to allow the use of the same by insurance companies, and otherwise successfully interdict the solicitation for insurance of members of the Order in Lodges, Encampments, etc., or elsewhere as 'Oddfellows.'

29. The Lodge, Encampment and Militant Branches of the Order are distinct in organization, but there is only one form for funeral ceremony to be used by Lodges and Encampments, and a separate burial ceremony to be used by the Cantons. The present form for funeral ceremony to be used by Lodges and Encampments, embraces a provision which indirectly indicates that precedence should be given the Subordinate Lodge branch of the Order in conducting the funeral ceremony of a deceased brother (See paragraph at bottom of page 44,

I. O. O. F., Book of Forms), which taken with the portion of the old law in the premises and not repealed by the adoption of the form for ceremony now in force, viz.: that "in all cases the funeral ceremonies shall be conducted by the Subordinate Lodge, except" etc. (See Resolution top page 3,961, adopted page 4,007, Journal Proceedings Grand Lodge U. S., 1866), authorizes the holding, that "in conducting the funeral ceremony of a deceased Brother, a member in good standing of both a Subordinate Lodge and a Subordinate Encampment, the Lodge shall take precedence over the Encampment (except where the deceased was a Grand Officer, etc.), unless by the previously expressed desire of the deceased, his widow or near relative, the Encampment should be designated to take charge of his remains for burial; whereupon, under the delegated power from the party having legal charge of the body, the Encampment shall take precedence," etc.

30. Decision No. 25, of the Grand Sire, amended and adopted, Session 1887 (pages 10,716 and 10,952, Journal Proceedings), makes it compulsory for a Subordinate Lodge to receive the Grand Master with the honors of the Order when introducing a visiting Brother; and the last sentence of the same decision clearly indicates that the visiting Brother must also receive the honors of the Order, if entitled to them.

A Grand Representative or other elective officer of a Grand Lodge, or Grand Encampment, acting in his official capacity, possesses the privilege of introducing a visiting Brother to a Subordinate Lodge or Encampment within the jurisdiction to which he belongs. Therefore, a Grand Representative or elective Grand Officer, in introducing a visiting Brother must himself of necessity make an official visitation to the Body visited, and announce his rank and title at the inner door in order to exercise such privilege of office held; consequently, under the Ritualistic law (see third clause from top, page 31, Lodge Ritual), he shall be acknowledged with the honors of the Order, which should be given after addressing the Chairs, etc., and before the oral introduction of the visiting Brother; for he is a visitor to the Body (as a Grand Officer), as well as the Brother he seeks to introduce. After receiving the honors of the Order he should introduce the visiting Brother (in the same manner prescribed for a committee), whereupon the Body for the first time learns the name and rank of the visitor; and then, if the visiting Brother just introduced, is entitled to receive the honors of the Order, they must be given to him. (See clause next to last, page 31, Lodge Ritual and through implication, the last sentence of Decision No. 25 of Grand Sire as aforesaid.)

The law pertaining to giving the honors of the Order, applies alike to Subordinate Lodges and Encampments. (See fifth clause from top, page 14, Encampment Ritual.)

31. STATEMENT OF FACTS.—A Life Insurance Association bearing the expression "Oddfellow" as a component of its name, is authorized to do business by a Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., within its jurisdiction; has, under law now obsolete, made reports of its condition which were forwarded to and published by the Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge; and, possesses authority from the Insurance Department of a State government in the shape of a license to do business within the State, but is refused recognition by the Grand Lodge of said State jurisdiction and prohibited from transacting business with Oddfellows therein, etc.

Answer—1. Such an Association is authorized to do an insurance business in a State under the Civil Statute though it is refused recognition by the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F. of the jurisdiction, on the ground that the license purchased of the Insurance Department of the State government does not recognize interference by Church, Secret Order, or Nation; but in transacting such business it must be with a citizen as such, and not with him as an Oddfellow.

2. The State license granting the privilege to transact business under provisions of the Civil Statute does not infringe upon the prerogative of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction, regulating the manner of making applications for pecuniary purposes, etc., to Subordinate Lodges and Oddfellows—the one allows

the citizen to be approached, the other controls the making of applications to a Subordinate Lodge and to a citizen as an *Oddfellow*.

3. The passage of a resolution by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, requesting information from Beneficial Associations and its subsequent acts accepting and publishing data furnished by an I. O. O. F. Insurance Association, recognized by one jurisdiction, is not, of itself, sufficient recognition for such an Insurance Association to be permitted to transact business in another jurisdiction, wherein the sanction of the Grand Lodge has been refused to it.

4. The I. O. O. F. name of an Insurance Association sanctioned by authority of one jurisdiction, and promulgated through a civil license in a State forming another jurisdiction wherein the I. O. O. F. recognition is refused the said Association, cannot be abrogated by the said refusal; but, while the civic rights of the Association must be respected, it cannot, as an I. O. O. F. institution, lawfully presume thereon and solicit business in Subordinate Lodges or of citizens as *Oddfellows*, without first obtaining permission therefor of the Grand Lodge of the particular jurisdiction or the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

5. The acts of the Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction relating to the insuring of members of the Order, apply to soliciting life insurance in Bodies of the Order, and to applications made to individual members as *Oddfellows* without the limits of the Society Hall. In fact, the whole matter may be summed up as follows:

The license under the Civil law carries with it the governmental authority to do an insurance business irrespective of the condition of the person solicited; but the sanction of the proper authorities of the I. O. O. F. is necessary to legalize the soliciting of business in Lodges and of citizens on the basis of the individual solicited being an *Oddfellow*.

The rights of a citizen under the general law of the land and as expressed by I. O. O. F. ritualistic charges cannot be disturbed, but the reasonable control of the members of the Order is certainly vested in the authorities thereof.

The laws regulating Life Insurance Associations within the Order, apply alike in regard to obtaining sanction of Grand Lodges, Grand Encampments, etc.

SUBORDINATE LODGE.

32. A Lodge can loan its money and make the terms of the investment to suit itself, subject to provisions of general or local laws on the subject restricting the character of such investments.

33. A Brother may apply for degrees on the evening of his initiation "under dispensation," which can be granted by the proper Executive Officer, for reasons satisfactory to himself unless the laws of a Grand Lodge jurisdiction otherwise provide.

34. An applicant for membership in a Subordinate Lodge by initiation, elected to receive the same, must be initiated by the Lodge to which he made application and which, acting thereon, elected him to membership.

35. A Grand Master, in vacation, does possess the right to suspend a Subordinate Lodge for persistent disobedience or violation of law without a trial, provided the local law does not otherwise provide, but this power should be not generally exercised until after notice to the Subordinate, and not arbitrarily or for slight cause.

36. A member of a defunct Subordinate can obtain a Card from the Grand Secretary or Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction wherein the defunct Lodge was located, which Card—acting as an expired Withdrawal Card—will enable him to join another Subordinate Lodge as an "Ancient Oddfellow." (See sections 175, 176, 177 and 758 New Digest).

37. Under the present law it is held that the face design of the "Veteran" Jewel cannot be altered. The Sovereign Grand Lodge may hereafter by enactment allow a Veteran of fifty years standing to have 50 instead of 25 placed on the face of his jewel, but as the law stands it cannot be done.

38. A Brother is not entitled to receive and wear "The Veteran Jewel, I. O. O. F.," unless he has for twenty-five consecutive years, or more, been a member of the Order in good standing. (See Revised Journal, Sovereign Grand

Lodge, 1888, pages 11,341 and 11,410-11; and Grand Sire's decision No. 17, Session 1889.)

39. The Noble Grand cannot communicate the A. T. P. W. to a Brother who holds an unexpired Card without an order for the same from the Lodge issuing the Card; and the A. T. P. W. to be used with a Card, on making visitations, must be that of the year during which the Card was issued. (See By-Laws, and note on pages 155-6, I. O. O. F. Book of Forms.)

40. A Grand Master, as the executive officer of a Grand Lodge, must see that the law and practice of the Order is observed throughout his jurisdiction, and in correcting errors, irregularities, or giving instructions, he is responsible for his acts; and, therefore, should employ such means to accomplish his purpose as in his judgment may seem to be necessary and safe, and for which he is willing to be held responsible.

41. Disapproved.

42. A Brother is granted a Withdrawal Card by his Lodge, but, owing to negligence on the part of the Lodge officers, the Card is not issued: what is the status of the Brother? Answer. The vote authorizing the issuing of a Withdrawal Card cannot be reconsidered or rescinded, and the Lodge is bound to issue the Card; therefore, the granting of the Withdrawal Card severs membership from the Lodge the same as if the Card had issued. (See Sections 196 and 206, etc., Digest.)

43. An application for membership in a Subordinate Lodge by depositing Card, carries, through the face of the Card, the rank of the applicant; and the Investigating Committee possesses the undoubted right to satisfy itself that the Brother applicant is in possession of the degrees indicated by the Card; and the Lodge should not take action upon an application for membership by deposit of Card, until the Investigating Committee has reported thereon.

44. So long as five properly qualified members of a Subordinate Lodge signify their desire to retain the Charter thereof it cannot be reclaimed, except under special provision of law; but such privilege with regard to holding the Charter, does not carry with it the right for a minority of five members to prevent the removal of the Lodge to another location—the change of location of a Subordinate Lodge is authorized by the expressed desire of the Lodge itself, when sanctioned by the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction.

45. A member of the Order, residing away from the vicinity of his own Lodge for over two years, and not having reported himself to the Lodge nearest his residence, until taken sick, is not entitled to receive attention from such Lodge as a right; though the law is not to be so construed as to prevent the said Lodge, or its members, from giving attention to such a sick or needy Brother, should it or they desire to assist him. (See Report of Committee on Legislation, pages 10,990 and 11,028, Journal Proceedings Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session 1887.)

46. During the absence of the Noble Grand from the Lodge room the Vice Grand must take the place of such superior officer and discharge the duties of Executive Office; he may assign a properly qualified Brother to act as Noble Grand during an initiation or the conference of Degrees, but he possesses the unquestionable right to act as Noble Grand during the absence of that officer, whether at a regular, adjourned, special, or called meeting of the Lodge, and he cannot be deprived of such privilege, which in fact is a duty under the law. (See Sections 1054 and 1057 Digest.)

47. A Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction possesses the right to judge as to the expediency of granting a Charter for a Subordinate Lodge at a point within close proximity to another Subordinate Lodge, and it may make a constitutional provision setting forth a particular requirement with regard thereto; but, after such a Subordinate Lodge has been instituted upon the basis of local law, especially applying to the case, its Charter cannot be reclaimed so long as "five third degree members in good standing" express a wish to retain it, keep themselves in good standing, and otherwise discharge all duties incumbent by law in the premises.

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48. QUERY.—Has a Subordinate Lodge, even if authorized by its Grand Lodge, a right to change a Dismissal Certificate by striking out the words "suspended for non-payment of dues," and inserting "dismissed upon his own application," and deliver the same to a person who has resigned his membership?

Answer.—No, the "Dismissal Certificate" is a document specified in particular form by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, for general use as expressed by its legislation, and it cannot be altered in any respect except through authority derived from the Sovereign Body itself.

49. The law authorizing a member of the Order to wear "The Veteran Jewel, I. O. O. F.," requires that the said member shall, at the time of making application for the said jewel, be in "good standing" and that he shall have been in "good standing" for twenty-five consecutive years, or more, next preceding thereunto. The conditioned membership without continuous "good standing" will not serve, both conditions being prerequisite to obtaining the said Veteran Jewel. (See Journal Proceedings, pages 11,410-11, Session Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1888, and Decision 17 of Grand Sire, Journal Proceedings Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889.)

50. The law and practice governing procedures in the initial organization and institution of a Subordinate Lodge, where the Grand Master, or instituting officer, under dispensation makes the applicant an Oddfellow and confers the necessary Degrees upon him to satisfy the requirements of the law, as to Charter members for a new Lodge in a remote or inaccessible section, is special legislation for a particular purpose not to be reached in any other way; and does not conflict with the organic law directing how applicants for Lodge Charters shall procure Withdrawal Cards, etc. The practice referred to originated many years ago, was revived by Grand Sires STEUART, LOGAN, HARMON and WHITE, and was resorted to later in order to establish Lodges in Mexico and Japan.

51. The terms of officers and for regular meetings of Subordinate Lodges are, by law, conditioned as follows:

Six months, with regular meetings weekly; or, (by authority from the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction) one year, with regular meetings either bi-weekly or semi-monthly. The regular semi-yearly terms begin with the first meetings in January and July, but the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction may authorize a change to the first meetings in April and October. The regular yearly term (specially authorized) commences with the first meeting in January, April, July or October. No terms other than six months or one year are allowed, and no power subordinate to the Sovereign Grand Lodge can change the terms of the officers, etc. (See Sections 1472-3-4-5, Digest, and first of resolutions, pages 11,743-5, Journal Proceedings Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session 1889.)

52. The condition for obtaining "The Veteran Jewel" is, membership in the Order in good standing for twenty-five consecutive years. Interpreted, as meaning that the member must be in good standing in a Subordinate Lodge, or succession of Subordinate Lodges, for twenty-five consecutive years, including the time he may hold an unexpired Withdrawal Card; thus:

Period of membership in good standing	11	consecutive years.
" Withdrawal Card	$\frac{3}{4}$	consecutive years.
" membership in good standing	5	consecutive years.
" Withdrawal Card	1	consecutive year.
" membership in good standing	$7\frac{1}{4}$	consecutive years.

Total consecutive membership in the Order..... 25 consecutive years.

53. When the "Investigating Committee" makes report on the application of a citizen or Brother who desires to join the Lodge by initiation or by deposit of Card, respectively, the report should be received; and, then action must be taken on the application for membership, by ball ballot vote, under the law. When the said committee's report is received it stands as any other report made by a Special Committee to the Lodge, and may, if desired, be discussed and be recommitted with instructions, if such is the will of the Lodge; or the application may even be referred to the Lodge itself as a "Committee of the Whole," that

the discussion thereon may be without restraint; the applicant must stand ball ballot vote to obtain membership and the Lodge possesses the inherent right to investigate the standing of the applicant through a Special Committee, or as a Committee of the Whole, but in either instance the report of the committee must be made to the Lodge in regular meeting.

54. The charge of the Noble Grand in opening a Subordinate Lodge (pages 12 and 13 Ritual,) the instructions given by the Noble Grand to candidate (pages 46 and 47 Ritual,) and section 739, Digest of 1885, do not conflict. It will be seen that a member cannot be admitted to his Lodge except on giving the Pass-Word of the current term, etc., or by order of the Noble Grand; and before the Noble Grand directs the admission of a member, not in the possession of the words, to the Lodge, he ascertains of the Secretary the standing of such member in the Lodge, and if he is more than thirteen weeks in arrears, he admits him under provisions of Section 739, Digest of 1885; and, should thereafter see that the mandates of that law are respected. A member cannot be prevented from visiting his Lodge while in arrears, though his privileges may be curtailed under the law; and, to prevent his attendance, he must be dropped for the nonpayment of dues, or be otherwise suspended from membership in the Lodge.

55. The members appointed to constitute a Staff to exemplify the floor work of the Degrees, etc., should be carefully selected by the Lodge or Lodges interested; and such Staff should comprise members who possess the legal qualifications enabling them to take the chairs of the officers they represent; a Vice Grand, Noble Grand or Past Grand being the only members eligible to act as Noble Grand, and a Noble Grand or Past Grand the only members eligible to serve in the capacity of Past Grand. (See sections 1049, 1056 and 1060 New Digest and pages 10, 104 and 10, 176, Journal Proceedings, session, 1885.)

"Staff Work" must not conflict with the Ritual. Any chair in a Subordinate Lodge may be filled temporarily by a Brother qualified to occupy it, and if it is not practicable for an officer during an initiation or the conference of a Degree, to perform a certain part, his properly qualified substitute can, of course, discharge the duty. It is frequently the case that one officer is required to take two parts in the floor work, thus, a Conductor often acts as Warden, etc.

56. Dismissal Certificates are granted, only, by Lodges in good standing and not by the Grand Officers of a jurisdiction. Therefore, a member of a defunct Lodge, possessing a desire to renew his membership in the Order, cannot obtain a Dismissal Certificate from the dead Body, but must apply to the Grand Secretary of the jurisdiction to which his Lodge (defunct) was attached, for a special Card under the law, and join a Lodge by depositing Card. (See Digest Sections 175, 176 and 231-9 etc.)

Dismissal Certificates are not obtainable from defunct Lodges, and can be procured only from a living Body. A member of a defunct Lodge, and who was in arrears at the time the Charter of his Lodge was reclaimed, cannot obtain a Dismissal Certificate for the purpose of joining another Lodge, but must make application for and obtain a special Card from the Grand Secretary or Grand Body, respectively of the jurisdiction wherein his Lodge (defunct) was located. Such a Card is not required by law to be furnished at the cost of one dollar (\$1), but, on the contrary, the circumstances which apply to each particular case should be considered and the enabling paper be issued upon an equitable basis. (See Section 176 Digest.)

57. In instituting a new Lodge, the Grand Master should take the Noble Grand's chair, and, if practicable, fill the other chairs with elective Grand Officers *pro tem*; he should deliver an address appropriate to the occasion and then, by proclamation, open the Grand Lodge in the Scarlet Degree. The form for instituting a Subordinate Lodge requires the presence of the Grand Master, Deputy Grand Master, Grand Secretary and Grand Marshal; and the Lodges is not to be opened in the ritualistic form: or opening a Subordinate, but after the report by the Grand Marshal that all present are properly qualified to remain, the Grand Master will in person, or through the Deputy Grand Master, proclaim the

Lodge open in the Scarlet Degree. (See instructions in Ritual, and Decision 23 of Grand Sire, page 11, 10c Revised Journal, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1888.)

An officer commissioned to represent a Grand Master of a Jurisdiction, is *de facto* the Grand Master when in the discharge of the duties for which he was commissioned; otherwise his services would be valueless; therefore, a District Deputy Grand Master, in installing the officers of a Subordinate Lodge, should be addressed as Grand Master, according to the form of ceremony prescribed by the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

If the Grand Master of the Jurisdiction should appear during the installation ceremony, he of course, possesses the right to supersede his deputy, though it would hardly be expected that he would do so upon such occasion.

58. QUERY.—Is the following legislation by the Grand Lodge of Missouri, at its last session, legal and can it be enforced?

“Resolved, That the Grand Master be and is hereby instructed to see that the enactments of the Grand Lodge on the subject are complied with, and that the Subordinate Lodges be required to refuse admission to persons who are engaged in the business of saloon-keeping.

“Resolved, That, as the business of saloon-keeping is an immoral one, and not such reputable means of support as our laws require, Subordinate Lodges be instructed to demand that any of their members who may be engaged in such business shall abandon it, or be charged with unbecoming conduct and expelled from the Order.”

Answer.—No! The qualifications for membership are prescribed by the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge (Section 2, Article XVI.) and retroactive legislation is illegal and cannot be enforced. The mandates of a Subordinate Grand Body conditioning habit qualifications for members and interdicting the business privileges of citizens are directly contrary to the continued action of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, which Sovereign Body has invariably refused to interfere with the personal attributes of applicants, or members and their business avocations, further than as expressed in the Constitution. A man's bad habits and illicit business transactions (so-called) are proper reasons for his rejection by those with whom such characteristics are disliked, and improper applicants should be refused admission to the Order through the ballot, the silent and sacred protector of the Lodge. See the following reference quotations, all as adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge:

Digest 604, original law, 1849, page 1, 504. Question asked “Whether a Grand Lodge can approve of a By-Law of its Subordinate containing the following?”

“Any member of the Lodge who shall be guilty of using spirituous or malt liquors, wine, or other intoxicating drinks, as a beverage, shall be liable to reprimand, or suspension, and if persisted in, to expulsion.”

Answer by Committee.—“They cannot perceive any right, under the Constitution, nor have they heard of any fundamental principles of the Order, which allow Subordinate Lodges to abridge the liberties of the citizen, and to dictate what he shall eat, what he shall drink,” etc.

Digest 605, action in 1870. On resolutions, pages 4, 794-5, Journal, “That the Representatives of this Grand Lodge (Indiana) are hereby instructed to use their influence in the G. L. U. S. to secure the passage of a law allowing State Grand Lodges to make such legislation as they may deem proper to prohibit members of Subordinate Lodges, under their respective jurisdictions, from engaging in the traffic of intoxicating liquors.” *Report of Committee, page 4, 836*. “That in their opinion it would be contrary to the spirit and policy of our institution to pass any law on the subject referred to creating a new test of membership in the Order.”

Digest 606, action in 1874, page 6, 197. (Similar proposition to that of 1870.)

Committee say, “that such legislation would make a new qualification of membership, unknown to our present laws, and might even require an amendment to our Constitution. An applicant must be a free white male, of good

"moral character ; what constitutes good moral character is left to local action, "and is generally to be determined by the vote of the Lodge in the reception of "a member. With such questions we have nothing to do, and have always re- "fused to concern ourselves."

Digest 498, action in 1885, pages 9,854, 10,105, 10,176. Page 9,854, Decision 5, Grand Sire on Kansas decisions of Grand Master, that "A person en- "gaged in the sale of liquors, or *other business* that is in violation of the Consti- "tution and laws of the State, is not eligible to membership in the Order. He "must be a law-abiding citizen." *Answer of Grand Sire, approved by Sovereign "Grand Lodge.* "The qualifications for membership are prescribed by the "Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and no Grand or Subordinate "Lodge has the right to change, restrict or add to them. The point raised by "this decision might properly be considered in balloting for a candidate."

Action in 1889 Journal page 11,700, by a vote of 63 to 44 a proposition to amend Section 2, Article XVI Constitution Sovereign Grand Lodge by adding: "provided further, however, that a person who sells intoxicating liquors at "retail for the purpose of livelihood, shall not be entitled to admission to the "Order," was indefinitely postponed.

SUBORDINATE ENCAMPMENTS.

59. By enactment of the Sovereign Grand Lodge (Session 1889,) the re-vised "Installation Ceremony for Subordinate Encampments" will become operative January 1, 1890; and Installing Officers and Subordinate Encamp-ments should be prepared to observe the requirements of the law on and after the date aforesaid.

60. Owing to the late introduction of the revised "Installation Ceremony for Subordinate Encampments" many of the officers-elect of such bodies were installed into office under form of the old ceremony; and regarding the trouble, inconvenience and expense of a second installation unnecessary, the installa-tions which took place under form of the old ceremony are ratified and held as sufficient.

61. To explain beyond the possibility of misconception, it is held—

To be eligible to the office of Senior Warden in a Subordinate Encampment a Patriarch must have served a term therein, in some elective office other than Trustee; or he must have served a term in an appointed office in said Encamp-ment—either condition is sufficient. (See Resolution 18, page 11,745 Revised Journal, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889.)

62. Where there is only one qualified Past Officer present to fill the chairs of the Grand Officers of the Jurisdiction on the night for the installation of officers-elect of a Subordinate Encampment, the ceremony should be deferred until proper assistants (under the law), can be had; and where two such Past Officers are in attendance the ceremony should proceed, the properly qualified Officers taking two or more parts (each) in the work.

63. The new "Installation Ceremony for Subordinate Encampments" (See enactment Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session, 1889,) requires the services of a greater number of Past Chief Patriarchs than can always be obtained, and in such instances the Installing Officer should assign one or more parts to his assist-ants, so as to comply with the law as nearly as possible. Officers and Encamp-ments can purchase all the copies of the "Encampment Installation Ceremony" they desire.

64. WHEREAS, The "Installation Ceremony for Subordinate Encampments" adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge (Session of 1889,) has not been printed in the German language; and WHEREAS, there are many Encampments working in German throughout the various jurisdictions; therefore, it is held admissible for Encampments, I. O. O. F., working in German to use the "Installation Ceremony" printed in the German language in the Rituals supplied such Bodies, until the Sovereign Grand Lodge shall cause the lately adopted "Installation Ceremony" to be printed in German.

65. Where a Brother has been made a Patriarch by provisions of an Encampment Constitution for Subordinates directly under the Sovereign Grand Lodge, or by a Constitution similar thereto and approved by the Grand Encampment of a particular jurisdiction, he is entitled to receive all the Encampment Degrees by virtue of the original vote electing him to become an Encampment member, unless the Encampment should be of the opinion that it had discovered reason why the said Patriarch should not be advanced or exalted; and, in such instances, charges should be immediately preferred against the Patriarch that full justice might be done to both him and the Encampment, in the premises.

66. The statement that the "Installation Ceremony for Subordinate Encampments, I. O. O. F.," adopted by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session 1889, is intended only to be used on public occasions is a misconception of the law and directly contrary to the face of the report of the Special Committee having the matter in charge, and to the instructions printed in the book, "Encampment Installation, I. O. O. F.," now sold as supplies by the Grand Secretary, Sovereign Grand Lodge.

The facts are as follows:

There were two Special Committees raised by the Sovereign Grand Lodge Session 1888, one on revising "the Installation Ceremonies for Subordinate Encampments" (page 11,288, Journal Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1888), the other on "Public Installation of Subordinate Encampment Officers" (page 11,408 Journal Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1888); such committees made reports to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session 1889, (see pages 11,654 and 11,683-4 Journal Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889—the report on revising "Ceremony for Installing the Officers of Subordinate Encampments," submitted by Grand Representative MERRIMAN, of Mass., *et al.*, was published in pamphlet form, and does not appear on the Journal Proceedings of the Sovereign Grand Lodge). The MERRIMAN report was at first referred for action thereon in secret session and afterwards modified and brought back for action thereon in open session, and both reports then referred to a Special Committee (see page 11,701 Journal Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889). Said last referred to Special Committee made report recommending the adoption of the form of Installation Ceremony submitted by Grand Representative MERRIMAN, *et al.* (see page 11,783 Journal Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889, and page 5 of book "Encampment Installation, etc.," which was adopted (see page 11,815 Journal Proceedings, Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889).

The language of Grand Representative MERRIMAN in reporting the ceremony, ordered to be considered in secret session back for consideration in open session as a "Public Installation Ceremony, etc." is somewhat misleading, but the foot-notes and instructions to the text fully explains the work and makes it general. The ceremony is directly worded in the text and made suitable for installations with closed doors, and is *modified for public use* by foot notes on pages 7, 11, 12 and last instructions on 36.

PATRIARCHS MILITANT.

67. It is illegal for a Canton of Patriarchs Militant, other than those of Hussars and Lancers, to parade mounted unless authorized by a *dispensation order* from the Commander P. M.

68. A Chevalier who is enabled to work his way into a Canton, cannot be refused admittance thereto because of his having been previously rejected from membership by the said Canton.

69. A regular Canton of mounted troops—Hussars or Lancers, Turm of Horse—may be organized as any other Canton, with officers commissioned for ritualistic purposes and also for mounted command.

70. Active members of Cantons in good standing, may, for special purposes, obtain a Warrant to organize Cantons, constituting of Troops of Hussars and Lancers—all with consent of the Bodies wherein they hold membership.

71. The regulation "Hussar" fatigue cap for Chevaliers of a Canton, may, at

the option of the Canton, have connected thereto an adjustable visor, so arranged that it can be extended to protect and shade the eyes or be concealed within the lining of the cap.

72. Canton members, as such, are not obliged to turn out at funerals of Brothers, not Chevaliers, with either Lodge or Encampment; but may, without regard to Militant obligations, select either of the Subordinate Bodies with which to parade.

73. A Chevalier, tried and convicted under provisions of Patriarchs Militant law for having appropriated to his own use certain funds belonging to his Canton, can, upon such basis, have charges preferred against him in his Lodge and Encampment for conduct unbecoming an Oddfellow.

74. The Countersign can be communicated legally to a Chevalier only, by order of the Commandant of the Canton to which he belongs, and the Commandant may refuse to cause the Countersign to be communicated to a Chevalier who is one year in arrears for dues.

75. The Commandant of a Canton is the officer through whom the Countersign is communicated to the members thereof, and he is also the officer having authority to cause examinations to be made of the Chevaliers of his Command, in the ritualistic words and secret work of the Patriarchs Militant Degree.

76. The "Patriarchs Militant Degree" is the military Degree of the Order, and does not in any manner conflict with the Subordinate Lodge or Encampment. A Canton cannot force itself upon either Subordinate Body, and in general parades of all branches of the Order it takes escort precedence only, under the law.

77. A Chevalier, an active member of a Canton, must have a regulation uniform; an honorary member of a Canton, must have, at least, a cap, belt and sword, as required by the Ritual; a member of a Canton must conform to one or the other of the foregoing conditions, and he will also be required to pay dues, whether he is an active or honorary member.

78. Chevaliers who have taken Certificates of Honorable Discharge for the purpose of becoming Warrant members of another regular Canton, can become Warrant members of a special Canton—Hussars or Lancers, Turm of Horse as soon as they are mustered as Warrant members of a new Canton, or in fact regain active membership in any manner under the law.

79. A Canton may adopt a Coat of Arms after the pattern of a particular design selected by itself, provided however that such device shall contain as part thereof, the emblematic crown over crossed crook and sword and subtended three links. Such heraldic escutcheon may be embroidered on the front of the fatigue cap in lieu of the regulation triangular ornaments.

80. A Field Officer possesses the right to inspect his Command, in a military sense, but not in a ritualistic way—other than to correct errors through the Commandant of a Canton, or by reporting the same to the Commander of the Department, who, as the semi-civil Representative of the Lieutenant-General, possesses ritualistic charge over the Cantons of his Department.

81. A Canton may become incorporated under the civil law of the land and purchase and own real estate; but, should it become defunct from any cause, all its effects consisting of outfit, cash and real estate, etc., shall revert to the Patriarchs Militant, and be taken charge of by the Commander of the Department wherein the Canton is located, subject to a disposition order from the Commander P. M.

82. The Patriarch Militant branch of the Order being entirely of a military nature, an applicant for membership in a Canton may be rejected without reflecting upon his character and standing as a Subordinate Oddfellow. A Patriarchal Oddfellow may be a fine man and still not possess the qualifications requisite for a good soldier, and the Canton has the undoubted right to adjudge the case under the law.

83. A Staff Officer should respect the orders received from the Commandant of his Canton. He is subject to local law as any other Chevalier, when not engaged in the discharge of staff duties, and must "fall in" the ranks of the Canton at the opening and closing of a Cantonment. He should lend his influence to the

furthering of the Militant movement by attending the regular meetings of his Canton, as far as practicable.

84. A Chevalier holding membership in a Canton, which forms part of one Regiment, cannot hold a Field Officer's commission in another Regiment. Officers in command of troops must hold membership in Cantons forming part of their commands. A Staff Officer, for satisfactory reasons, may, under dispensation from the Commander of Patriarchs Militant, hold a staff position, while his Canton membership is without the Command.

85. If a Canton does not meet for three or four months, or a year, the Warrant may be reclaimed by the Commander of Patriarchs Militant and an order for its arrest issued to the Commander of the Department; but, the arresting of the Warrant rests entirely with the Commander of Patriarchs Militant, who shall judge as to the advisability thereof. After the arrest of the Warrant of a Canton the body becomes defunct, and its former members cannot exercise functions as organized Chevaliers.

86. An applicant for membership in a Canton, rejected by a legal vote thereof, can apply to the same or another Canton for membership therein without awaiting any particular length of time, unless a specified period shall be prescribed by the Body to which the application is made; therefore, a Canton possesses the right to forthwith receive and act upon an application for membership, and if the applicant is elected, make him a Chevalier without regard to his having been previously rejected from membership by a Canton.

87. A Chevalier under charges, cannot obtain a Certificate of Honorable Discharge so long as the charges are before a Court Martial, but when charges are referred to a Court of Inquiry for Investigation, there is no good reason why the accused should not be granted a Certificate of Discharge for the purpose of enabling him to become a member of another Canton, for he can be tried by a Court Martial while holding membership in any Canton, or, in fact, while holding a Certificate of Honorable Discharge, until the privileges it entitles him to receive expire by limit of time or otherwise.

88. A Royal Purple Degree Patriarch can join a Canton anywhere without regard to the location of the Encampment wherein he holds membership; but must present to the Canton at the time he makes application for membership a certificate from his Encampment setting forth his membership in good standing therein. He cannot join a Canton in one Department through being made a Chevalier in another Department, but after having been made a Chevalier he can take a Certificate of Honorable Discharge, deposit it with and join a Canton in the same or another Department than the one in which he was made a Chevalier.

89. The Departmental jurisdiction over Cantons of Patriarchs Militant is entirely of a military nature and totally unlike that of the Grand Bodies in States, Territories and Provinces over Lodges and Encampments.

A Chevalier may be a member of an Encampment located in one particular Grand Encampment jurisdiction and hold membership in a Canton located in a Department comprising another Grand Encampment jurisdiction; and may take his "Certificate of Honorable Discharge" from his Canton and deposit it in and join another Canton at will, without regard to location of territorial department—other provisions of law being observed.

90. A Canton cannot turn out as such and attend the funeral of a member of the Order, who is not a Chevalier and member of its Body, except by dispensation from the Department Commander of the Patriarchs Militant; and, acting under such a dispensation, the Canton can only take part in the funeral parade as escort to the I. O. O. F. civic procession. In no instance should it perform the Militant funeral and burial rites over the remains of a Brother, who was not a Chevalier. When a Canton so parades, at the request of a Lodge or Encampment, it, as the military escort, takes the right of the line, but through its Commandant will be under the direction of the civic Marshal of the procession.

91. Under the present law, a member of a Canton who takes a Withdrawal Card from his Encampment has six months from the date thereof within which to deposit the same and become a member of an Encampment, without affecting his

membership in the Canton. (See Journal Proceedings 1888, pages 11,386 and 11,400). Therefore : It is held that when an Encampment surrenders its Charter, a member thereof who is a Chevalier of a Canton in good standing and who desires to retain his membership therein, must forthwith obtain a special Card from the Grand Scribe of the jurisdiction wherein the deunct Encampment was located, and deposit the same in and become a member of an Encampment within six months from the date of said Card so obtained.

92. Under the law (See Ritualistic requirements and Application blanks, S. 1 and 2), an applicant for active membership in a Canton agrees to equip with fatigue uniform, belt and sword within a fortnight from the date of notification of election and with a regulation dress uniform within sixty days after having been mustered as a member of the Canton ; an applicant for Honorary Membership agrees to equip with fatigue cap, belt and sword within a fortnight from the date of notification of election ; and it is held that all members of a Canton (Warrant members as well as others), who are in good standing must conform to one or the other of the above referred to requirements, according to class, or be suspended until the conditions are fulfilled, and in case they are not complied with within sixty days from notification of the requirement, be dropped from membership.

REBEKAH DEGREE.

93. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary of a Grand Lodge constitute the Executive Officers (proper) of the jurisdiction and, as such, are entitled to receive the Passwords of the Degree of Rebekah for transmittal purposes, etc.

94. A Brother in possession of the Degree of Rebekah, by having received it in a Subordinate Lodge, should not avail himself of any privileges obtained thereby, unless he is a member in good standing of a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah.

95. The Grand Master and Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction are entitled to receive the Passwords of the Degree of Rebekah, for transmittal purposes, though neither may be a member of a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah.

96. Under existing law, a Past Officer of high or low degree who shall join a Rebekah Degree Lodge, is not entitled to any special privilege (other than wearing the collar of the highest rank attained), by virtue of being a Past Officer in another branch of the Order.

97. A State Grand Lodge should not direct Rebekah Degree Lodges under its jurisdiction to make report to the Secretary or other officer of a State Rebekah Assembly or Convention ; such reports should be made to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of each jurisdiction.

98. The law contemplates that the Grand Master of a jurisdiction should appoint a Deputy for a Rebekah Degree Lodge, who is a member of such a Lodge ; and for installation purposes, the Grand Master may appoint a Deputy from among the lady Past Noble Grands of the Lodge.

99. With the exception of the Officers and Grand Representatives constituting the Sovereign Grand Lodge, no one can obtain the Degree of Rebekah through means other than by application to and initiation in a regularly constituted Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah.

100. A Grand Master can himself institute a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah, and he may commission the Grand Secretary or a Grand Representative to perform such service, though neither he nor they may hold membership in a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah.

101. A State Grand Lodge is allowed a rebate of one dollar for each Rebekah Degree Book of the issue of 1882 returned to the said Grand Lodge, under instructions passed at the session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1888. (See pages 11,751 and 11,791. Revised Journal Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889.)

102. The mother-in-law of a Brother in good standing, who together with his wife (her daughter) are members in good standing of a Rebekah Degree Lodge, is not under present law, in consequence of said connection and relationship, eligible to membership in a Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah.

103. A Delegate to the National Convention of the Daughters of Rebekah is not eligible to office in a State Convention of the Daughters of Rebekah unless also a member of such Body; and no one except a properly accredited delegate to or member of either Body is eligible to office therein, respectively.

104. The Grand Secretary of the Sovereign Grand Lodge has not the authority to fill orders for Rebekah Visiting and Withdrawal Cards received from the Secretary or other officer of a State Rebekah Assembly or Convention; such supplies must be obtained through the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of each jurisdiction.

105. The Grand Secretary, *ex officio*, has charge of the Rituals of the Degree of Rebekah upon the same general principle that a Grand Representative has access to the Secret or Unwritten work of the Degree, though neither may be in possession thereof through membership in a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah.

106. A member of the Order who has received the Degree of Rebekah in a Subordinate Lodge, can join a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah by application (accompanied with a certificate from the said Subordinate Lodge, expressing that he duly received the Degree of Rebekah therein), on a favorable ballot vote of the said Degree Lodge; whereupon, he must sign the Constitution and By-Laws of the Lodge.

107. In instituting a Rebekah Degree Lodge and installing the officers thereof, there can be no Past Noble Grand, for such officer can alone be obtained through service passed; and, in such Rebekah Degree Lodge the Noble Grand must of necessity act as Past Noble Grand where that officer is required to perform ritualistic work, unless a properly qualified appointee could be secured for the temporary purpose.

108. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of a jurisdiction is authorized to appoint a Deputy from among the lady Past Noble Grands of a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah who in turn shall appoint her assistants from the lady Past Noble Grands as afore-said and install the officers elect, etc. (See Report of Committee on Degree of Rebekah, page 10,982, Revised Journal, Sovereign Grand Lodge, Session 1887.)

109. Any form of floor work for the Degree of Rebekah is admissible, provided it does not alter or destroy the Rebekah Degree Ritual. A Special Committee has been raised by the Sovereign Grand Lodge and given authority to prepare a plan for the floor work of the various Degrees; and in consequence thereof it would seem to be unadvisable for a Lodge to incur expense of any considerable nature prior to the report of said Special Committee at the next session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge.

110. A Brother elected to become a member of a Rebekah Degree Lodge, who has previously received the degree in his Subordinate Lodge may be admitted to membership upon the certificate of the Secretary of his Subordinate Lodge, over the Seal thereof, setting forth the fact that he has received the degree; but he should be initiated in the new work of the Degree, ere he subscribes his name to the Constitution and By-Laws. (See Decision 59 of Grand Sire, page 11,491 Revised Journal of Sovereign Grand Lodge, 1889.)

111. The term "Convention" is properly applied to a meeting of delegates from any branch of the I. O. O. F., which shall occur, be regularly organized and die with the final adjournment of the Body; such a Body should be composed of delegates who by vote organize themselves by electing a president, vice-president and other officers from the delegates, though from convenience, and frequently necessity, a Clerk or Secretary is often taken from among qualified candidates not members of the Body. A Body, called by any name, which exists by law and is regulated by a Constitution, and through provisions of which the said Body perpetuates itself, becomes a permanent institution; and, the requirements for the election of the members and officers thereof, as set forth in the said Constitution, should govern such proceedings:—Therefore, the "State Assembly of Ohio, Daughters of Rebekah," is held to be a regular Constitutional Body, with power to organize itself annually under its approved laws; and considering

the general interpretation of customs and privileges of such and similar institutions as governing authority for procedure, the regular officers elected and installed into office become a part of the Body, and should hold office until their successors are elected and installed; and, the said Body existing perpetually, from anology, the vice-president thereof is held to be eligible to promotion, etc., though not a delegate member of the Body after the first election to office. In compliance with the foregoing, the following dispatch was wired to the Grand Master of Ohio:

"Vice President of State Assembly, Daughters of Rebekah, is eligible to the Presidency."

FOREIGN JURISDICTIONS.

AUSTRALASIA.—In this distant part of the world, the Order is growing in numbers and wealth; is assuming a high position in the land, commanding the respect of the intelligent members of the community. The details of the correspondence are given in the report of the Grand Secretary, who has received communications regularly from Brother J. C. SMITH, Grand Secretary, and other prominent members of the Order. In the year 1889 the increase in membership was 1,224.

CHILE, SOUTH AMERICA.—The Deputy for this country reports the Lodges working in harmony, and though not increasing, to any extent, in membership, yet they are going along smoothly, and hope, eventually, to recover from the effects caused by the defalcation by two trusted Brethren, who thereby wrecked their Subordinate Lodges, and caused the collapse of the Grand Lodge of Chile. The strength of the Order, in the four Lodges, December 31st, 1889, was reported at 158.

CUBA.—Matters in this jurisdiction are not entirely satisfactory, and despite the assurances that peace prevails, there are indications in the letters received by the Grand Secretary, that the Brethren on this beautiful island are not in perfect accord. There are now four Lodges, and the entire membership December 31st, 1889, as reported, was 338, a gain of 22 during the year.

DENMARK, EUROPE.—The correspondence with this jurisdiction has been confined to a few letters. The reports show a gain of 12 in Subordinate Lodge; loss of 9 in Rebekah and 42 in Encampment membership.

FRANCE, EUROPE.—The progress in this country has not been as great as was confidently expected; but our Brethren in Havre are confident that they will, in time, build up a strong institution. The letters from the Deputy indicate that proper caution is observed in the admission of members, and they prefer to go slowly, building up the Lodge gradually, rather than to admit all who apply, and thus sow the seeds of dissatisfaction, jealousy and strife. The total membership in the two Lodges as reported December 31st, was 89, a gain of 20 during the year.

GERMANY, EUROPE.—The statistics from this jurisdiction are compiled to June 30th, and do not generally reach the Grand Secretary until some time in September; therefore the precise situation of the Order under the control of the Grand Lodge of the German Empire cannot be given at this writing. It is believed, however, from the correspondence received, that the progress of the Order is, as heretofore, slow but steady. Information has been received of the opening of some new Lodges, during the last year, and there has no doubt been a considerable addition to the membership.

GREAT BRITAIN, EUROPE.—Our Order does not exist in this important country; but there still seems to be a desire to open one or more Lodges in London. No application has been made for Warrants, and the letter from Bro. LOUIS KLAJE, published in the report of the Grand Secretary, is the only communication received during the year.

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JAPAN, ASIA.—This new jurisdiction is progressing quite as rapidly as we had reason to expect. The eligible population in Yokohama is not large, and, of course, not all who would be acceptable, will apply to Far East Lodge, No. 1, for membership. The situation is fully explained in the report of the Grand Secretary, and it is not unreasonable to expect that ultimately Japan will be an important field for our labors. The membership, December 31st, 1889, acquired in seven months, was 20.

MEXICO.—While the progress in this Republic has not been particularly marked, the results of the labors of the year may be considered satisfactory. The entire membership, December 31st, 1889, in three Lodges was 106, a gain of 8 members. One Lodge and the only Encampment in the jurisdiction failed to report.

NETHERLANDS, EUROPE.—Although the Deputy and many enthusiastic Brothers of the three Lodges in this country are untiring in their efforts to extend the Order throughout the Kingdom, it cannot be said that their labors have been crowned with much success. Still the members are hopeful and energetic and we may reasonably expect to chronicle a large addition to the membership in the near future. Reports to December 31st, show 104 members, a loss of 5 during the year.

PERU, SOUTH AMERICA.—It is needless to recount the situation in this distressed Republic. The country is torn by discussion and strife, and until peace and harmony prevail we cannot expect the Order to advance. Bro. CROSBY, our Deputy, is an earnest and efficient officer, but no mortal man can make progress amidst the discordant elements that seem to control the destinies of this once flourishing country. The details concerning the Order in Peru, may be seen in the report of the Grand Secretary. The total membership was 91, a loss of 13 during the year 1889.

SANDWICH ISLANDS.—The population in Honolulu eligible to membership in the Order, it is well known, is exceedingly limited, and when the "free white males" of proper age are divided among the several Orders in existence in the Kingdom, it would be unreasonable to expect very large accessions to the ranks of any institution. The correspondence of the Grand Secretary indicates that Oddfellowship is receiving its full share of the citizens who are desirable as members of our Order. In the reports to December 31st, 1889, a net gain of 6 members in the two Lodges is shown; also 3 in the Encampment and 2 in the Rebekah membership; there being 162 members in the Subordinate Lodges, 36 in the Encampment, and 25 in the Rebekah Degree Lodge.

SWEDEN, EUROPE.—On account of the two Lodges in the Kingdom being under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Denmark, the actual condition of the Order cannot be stated. Amicitia Lodge, No. 3, is prospering, having added 22 to their roll during the year 1889, and reporting 42 members. The Deputy writes very encouragingly of the future, and expresses the desire of the Brethren for a Degree Lodge of the Daughters of Rebekah, an Encampment and as soon as a sufficient number of Lodges are in existence, a Grand Lodge in the Kingdom.

SWITZERLAND, EUROPE.—The Order is not increasing rapidly in this jurisdiction; but it is apparent that the growth, though slow, is steady. The Encampment numbers 22 members, having added 6 during the year, and the Grand Lodge report shows a gain of 13, the membership in the 5 Lodges being 223.

The Manchester Unity Oddfellows of England number about the same as the Independent Order, and is recognized as our Mother. No intercourse whatever exists between the two branches of the same General Society, whereas a joint official relationship would undoubtedly act advantageously for both. Hence, it is earnestly recommended that steps be taken looking toward the establishment of friendly social relations with the Manchester Unity, at least to the extent of fraternal visitations, based upon the Card system and a conjoint Word; and with

that view it is recommended that a Committee of One be selected to investigate the matter, act with a similar Committee from the Manchester Unity and present a joint report of a plan of operation to the Supreme Bodies of the two great Orders. There is nothing to be lost and everything to be gained by such a movement, and judging from the reported action of the Manchester Unity in the past, that Order will readily embrace any equitable arrangement for mutual fraternal benefit. The broader we extend our interests and the greater liberality we show toward sister institutions, the greater will we become and the higher will our monument for good be erected.

To educate, elevate and assist members of the Order generally is certainly very desirable in every particular. Therefore, it is suggested and recommended that the regular chartered I. O. O. F. Associations located in towns and cities of 40,000 inhabitants and upward, be authorized to assess a per capita tax on the membership thereof, not to exceed 25 cents per annum, for the purpose of establishing libraries, reading rooms, employment bureaus, etc., for Oddfellows.

MOSHASSUCK ENCAMPMENT NO. 2, QUEBEC.

On a petition from the Encampment, recommended by Rev. HENRY A. JACKSON, D. D. Grand Sire, on the 21st day of July, 1890, I telegraphed to the Deputy: "Will grant dispensation placing Moshassuck Encampment under Ontario." This action was of course subject to the Grand Encampment of Ontario accepting the transfer. The Grand Scribe has certified as follows:

"At the session of the Grand Encampment, July 22nd, 1890, the Grand Patriarch announced that he had given his permission to Moshassuck Encampment, No. 2, Montreal, to become attached to this Grand Encampment, provided permission from the Grand Scribe be first obtained. He was glad to announce that he had just received the following telegram from the Grand Sire. (See above). The action was indorsed by the Grand Encampment.

M. D. DAWSON, *Grand Scribe.*"

The above action of the Grand Sire was approved.

THE LOUISVILLE CYCLONE.

The news of the terrible calamity which had befallen the City of Louisville and other portions of Kentucky reached me the morning of March 28th, and I awaited the confirmation of the reports and finally, on the morning of the 29th, telegraphed Bro. W. W. MORRIS, Grand Representative, at Louisville, requesting the "Oddfellows condition" and asking "Is aid needed?" (See Appendix [T 1]). Not receiving a reply to my telegram I wired HON. GEO. W. MORRIS, Grand Treasurer, Grand Lodge of Kentucky, and on April 1st received letters from both. (See Appendix [L 2] and [L 3]). To better satisfy myself of the condition of affairs I went to Louisville in person on April 3rd and visited the scenes of devastation. Accompanied by Bro. W. W. MORRIS and other Brethren I called upon and found Grand Representative-elect A. J. REED suffering with a fractured ankle and from other injuries, and from his own lips learned the story of heroism displayed by the little band of 17 members of Humboldt Lodge and a few visitors who were present attending a regular meeting of the Lodge upon the disastrous night of March 27th, 1890.

It appears that Falls City Hall, wherein the said Lodge was holding its meeting, was directly in the path of the cyclone, which struck and instantly swept the edifice from the face of the earth, burying beneath the debris one hundred or more of the devoted people who went down with the building. Of the 18 to 20 I. O. O. F. devotees, 8 were killed outright and all more or less injured, of whom several have died since the wreck. The general destruction throughout the city cannot be fittingly described, but the manly action of the people in caring for their own dead, helpless and suffering citizens, and repairing their losses, is praiseworthy in the extreme; especially the determined bravery of Humboldt

(German) Lodge, which has refused pecuniary aid, stating that after the \$1,200.00 cash in its Treasury had been exhausted that the pocket books of its members would be readily produced and freely opened in the discharge of their I. O. O. F. obligations. What an encomium upon the Order, practical lesson to the Lodges and unselfish discharge of duty by members!

That the active Militant element may be more thoroughly under control, it is recommended that the Countersign shall be withheld from the Chevaliers who are in arrears for one year's dues, and from the Commandants of Cantons who have paid the Canton Tax.

JEWEL DECORATIONS AND INFLUENCE.

The watch charm or pin jewels of the Order, should be more extensively worn. There is scarcely a Free Mason who does not possess an emblem of the Masonic Order and wear it constantly, and the members of some other secret societies follow such practice in a greater ratio than the Oddfellows. The very best way to advertise any fraternity is for the members to bear appropriate emblems thereof upon their persons, and thereby silently but surely publish to the world the character of the material of which the Order is composed. Nearly every Master Mason wears the Square and Compass; fully ninety per cent. if not a greater percentage of Knights Templar wears the Maltese Cross, and it is altogether probable that ninety-nine out of one hundred Nobles of the Mystic Shrine carry the Tiger-Claw emblem of that Degree. The *Three Links* should be worn by every Oddfellow, the symbolic Tent by every Patriarch, and the Patriarchs Militant jewel as either watch charm, or pin, by all Chevaliers. This was referred to the Committee on Printing and Supplies, who were ordered to prepare suitable designs, and submit same to the Sovereign Grand Lodge at its next annual session for consideration.

PATRIARCHS MILITANT.

The Militant movement has continued to advance steadily throughout the greater number of Departments in the United States and Canada, and the enthusiasm of the military element of the Order continues unabated; in testimony whereof, I refer to the statistical tables, which show a net increase of 46 Cantons and 1,795 Chevaliers. The total number of Cantons is 592 and the total membership reported, is 21,018 (though if full and complete returns could be had, the membership would, in all probability, reach 25,000). The persons who have joined the Order to obtain the Militant degree are 5,085, and the Oddfellows who have advanced in the Order for the same purpose, are 5,457—a healthy increase over number last reported, but still not up to the actual facts.

The total amount of estimated revenues for the past year is \$168,144.00, an increase over the estimated revenues of the preceding year of \$14,360.00; and the total reported and estimated outfit of the Army is \$1,051,704.71, an increase over the amount tabulated in last report of \$269,175.88. All of which fully proves the advancement of the Militant movement and the continued enthusiasm of its members. I feel a just pride in thus being able to make such a showing for this branch of the Order, now barely five years old, and am assured of its value as an adjunct to the Fraternity, by the work it has accomplished.

It is altogether probable that the recommendation of the Grand Sire, last session Sovereign Grand Lodge, in relation to a change of Certificate upon the back of the Application for a Warrant to establish a Canton was misunderstood. The recommendation then made is substantially renewed, for the reason that the Grand Patriarch of a jurisdiction cannot personally know the standing of the applicants for Warrants, while the Chief Patriarch and Scribe are certainly aware of the good or bad standing of the members of their Encampment. Therefore, I recommend that the Chief Patriarchs and Scribes, over the Seal of Encampments, be required to indorse the applications or petitions for Warrants to establish

Cantons, certifying as to the good standing of the applicants in the Encampments of which they are Chief Patriarchs and Scribes, respectively, and that other law in conflict with the foregoing be repealed. All to take effect from passage.

We quote the following from the Grand Secretary's Report :

NEW REPRESENTATIVES.

The representation in this Body has been increased since the last session, by 1 from British Columbia ; 1 from Idaho ; 3 from North Dakota ; total 5 ; and it seems probable that in the near future Grand Encampments will be organized in 6 jurisdictions, viz., Arizona, British Columbia, Lower Provinces, Manitoba, New Mexico and Quebec. some of them having, at this time, a sufficient number of Subordinates to apply for a Charter for a Grand Encampment, and the time seems not far distant, when applications for Grand Lodges, will be made by the Subordinates in Alberta, Assiniboia, Indian Territory, Mexico, Oklahoma and Sweden. There were 163 Representatives accredited to the session of 1889, and there will be 168 names on the roll of the present session, making with the 9 officers and 11 Past Grand Sires, a Body of 188 members.

MANCHESTER UNITY.

The "Monthly Magazine" and "Quarterly Reports" of our parent institution, have reached this office regularly, and although for nearly fifty years there has been no affiliation of the two great Orders of Oddfellowship, we cannot but feel an interest in the success of our progenitor. The magazine, furnished to the membership for the small sum of *one penny* (two cents) per number, is ably edited and filled with valuable information, as useful and interesting to the members of our own Order, as to the Brotherhood of the Unity. The Quarterly Reports also contain much that is important and worthy of consideration. The reports for October, 1889, is a pamphlet of 208 pages ; February, 1890, has 80 pages ; April, 106 ; July, 164 ; total, 558 pages, the aggregate exceeding in volume, the annual Revised Journal of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. As the Grand Sire, in his report, has given the late statistics of the institution, it is unnecessary to repeat the information ; but it is surprising to learn from the April report, received April 29th, that the Corresponding Secretary of the Manchester Unity was able to furnish, at that date, the entire membership statistics for the year ending December 31st, 1889, whilst reports from some of the State Grand Bodies under the Sovereign Grand Lodge, did not reach this office until July and August. Grand Secretary COLLINS said : "The C. S. of the Order is glad to state that (after considerable trouble, however) returns have been received for the year 1889 from every District in Great Britain, etc." He also said : "During the year 1889 the number of persons admitted by initiation in Great Britain, Ireland and the Channel Islands was 38,659, the increase in the Colonies being 2,553, and 200 by reinstatement of a suspended Lodge, making a total number of 679,764 members. During the year the deaths in Great Britain, etc., have been 7,272 and inasmuch as the Unity comprised 651,890 members on the 1st of January, 1890, (belonging to 4,434 Lodges divided into 459 Districts); it follows that 20,602 persons have left the Society during the year, by secession and closing of Lodges, etc. The amount paid for the funeral benefit of 7,272 members was \$377,484, an average payment of \$52. During the year 275 travelers were relieved on 6,552 occasions and the amount granted was \$2,436, an average payment of \$8.86 per traveler."

FINANCIAL.

It is with much pleasure, that the Grand Secretary congratulates the Representatives on the admirable financial condition of this Body. Notwithstanding the unusually large appropriations at the last session, we are enabled to show a very satisfactory net profit on the business of the year. The details will be found

in the tables accompanying this report, but it may not be improper to contrast the result of the last, with a few preceding years. In 1889, a loss of \$16,772.11 was reported: in 1888, a profit of \$442.37; in 1887, a profit of \$2,843.22; in 1886, a profit of 1,487.26; in 1885, a loss of \$634.96; while for the year ending August 20th, 1890, we exhibit a profit of \$9,253.17, the largest of any year since 1882, when, on account of the publication of new Rituals the net gain amounted to \$21,809.63.

Receipts from Grand Lodges.....	\$43,650 20
“ “ Grand Encampments	11,106 25
“ “ Subordinate Lodges	1,457 30
“ “ Subordinate Encampments.....	381 38
“ “ Cantons of Patriarchs Militant.....	55 50
“ “ Individuals	290 96

Ordinary revenue.....	\$56,941 59
Interest on United States bonds.....	1,633 48
Returned by A. Slack, Gr. Rep., Pennsylvania.....	11 80

Total cash paid to Grand Treasurer..... \$58,586 87

Ordinary revenue.....	\$56,941 59
Balances (Dr. \$1,223.92, Cr. \$79.61).....	1,144 31

	\$58,085 90
Amount August 20th, 1889, per Journal, page 11,601.....	46,595 67

Increase for year, August 21st, 1889, to August 20th, 1890.... \$11,490 23

We have received and dispatched, during the year, 1,076 (343 more than in the year immediately preceding), orders for supplies, always as promptly as circumstances permitted.

The following is an analysis of the balance sheet, showing the sources of profit, etc.:

Net profit on Books.....	\$14 551 35
“ “ Visiting and Withdrawal Cards.....	\$15,314 95
“ “ Rebekah Cards.....	1,352 12
“ “ Cards for a Wife or Widow.....	3 40
“ “ Dismissal Certificates.....	711 23
“ “ Rebekah Dismissal Certificates	42 53
	\$17,424 23
“ “ Encampment and Lodge Charts	797 90
“ “ Odes—Lodge, Encampment, etc.....	758 76
“ “ Diplomas.....	\$349 55
“ “ Rebekah Certificates	60
	350 15
“ “ Veteran Jewels.....	245 50
Total for supplies.....	\$34,127 89

Interest on United States bonds.....	\$1,633 48
Representative tax.....	12,525 00
Dues of Subordinates.....	1,206 58
Charter fees.....	274 00
Canton of Patriarchs Militant (Rituals not sent).....	10 00
	15,649 06

Total amount of credit side..... \$49,776 95

<i>Debit Side</i> —Annual expenses.....	\$6,416 17
Sixty-fifth Annual Session.....	34,013 76
Ridley Monument.....	25 00
Willey Monument.....	50 00
P. M. Organization distributed in order to establish Cantons.....	11 25
Destroyed books, etc.....	7 60
	40,523 78

Profit..... \$9,253 17

The assets of the Sovereign Grand Lodge are :

Cash in hands of Grand Treasurer.....	\$32,576 85
United States bonds.....	36,300 00
Steel and electro plates.....	11,354 25
Library.....	1,018 38
Grand Lodge Building in Baltimore, cost.....	4,786 32
Supplies at cost.....	14,430 83
Paintings and furniture.....	9,442 55
Balances due (\$1,223.92, less credit balances \$79.61).....	1,144 31
	\$111,053 49

Amount August 20th, 1889. Journal, page 11,603..... 101,800 32

Increase..... \$9,253 17

The amount debited to the sixty-fifth (1889) annual session is \$34,013 76, which includes the expenditure of \$6,364 00 to Grand Lodges for Rebekah Degree Books burned. Deducting that amount, and the debit for items as in former years, will appear as \$27,649 76, being \$3,486 74 less than the lowest year (1885) from 1885 to 1889, inclusive, notwithstanding the presence of a larger number of Representatives.

RETURNS FOR THE YEARS 1888 AND 1889.

	Dec. 31st, 1888.	Dec. 31st, 1889.	Increase.	Decrease.
Grand Lodges.....	54	55	1	
Grand Encampments.....	45	46	1	
Subordinate Lodges.....	8,534	8,789	255	
Subordinate Encampments.....	2,091	2,123	32	
Rebekah Degree Lodges.....	1,763	2,016	253	
Lodge initiations.....	56,112	59,744	3,632	
Encampment initiations.....	11,515	11,175		340
Lodge members.....	583,552	612,260	28,708	
Encampment members.....	106,972	110,487	3,515	
Rebekah D. L. members.....	95,430	115,393	19,963	
Relief by Lodges.....	\$2,251,020 26	\$2,397,652 17	\$144,631 91	
Relief by Encampments.....	216,444 21	234,834 42	8,390 21	
Relief by Rebekah Lodges.....	21,815 76	24,042 53	2,226 77	
Total relief.....	2,501,280 23	2,656,529 12	155,248 80	
Revenue of Lodges.....	5,742 0 01	6,111 827 24	369,175 93	
Revenue of Encampments.....	551,724 79	571,624 30	19,899 57	
Revenue of Rebekah Lodges.....	130,542 77	171,150 13	40,607 36	
Total Revenue.....	6,424,429 57	6,854,611 43	430,181 86	

STATISTICS OF THE ORDER FROM 1830 TO DECEMBER 31ST, 1889.

INCLUDING AUSTRALASIA AND GERMANY.

Initiations in Subordinate Lodges.....	1,635,381
Members relieved.....	1,460,331
Widowed families relieved.....	183,601
Members deceased.....	143,504
Total relief.....	\$51,258,391 21
Total receipts.....	134,657,909 93

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CONDITION OF THE ORDER DECEMBER 31ST, 1889.

	Sovereign Grand Lodge	1
	Independent Grand Lodges (German Empire and Australasia)	2
	Subordinate Grand Encampments	49
	Subordinate Grand Lodges	65
40,523 78	Subordinate Encampments	2,133
	Subordinate Lodges	9,063
\$9,253 17	Encampment Members	110,886
	Lodge Members	634,335
	Degree Lodges of the Daughters of Rebekah	2,016
\$32,576 85	Sisters members of Rebekah Lodges	59,822
36,300 00	Brothers members of Rebekah Lodges	55,571
11,354 25	Cantons of Patriarchs Militant	592
1,018 38	Chevaliers, rank and file (estimated)	25,000
4,786 32		
14,430 83		
9,442 55		
1,144 31		

The record of the year 1889, as presented in this report, must certainly be gratifying to every member of the Order. Progress, in every direction, is indicated in the array of figures it is my great pleasure to submit for your inspection, and as we glance at the columns and find that we have 612,260 members on our roll in Bodies reporting to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, which the Grand Jurisdictions of Australasia and Germany have added to, enabling us to say that on the 31st day of December, 1889, there were 634,335 Oddfellows of the Independent Order in submission to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, the heart swells with emotion and we cannot but utter our thanks and express our gratitude to the Author of our existence the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, who has watched over this institution for seventy-one years, and has stamped approval of our efforts in the great cause of alleviating, in some degree, at least, the sorrows of the world.

Whose pen can write, whose tongue can utter the language that will convey an idea of the value of Oddfellowship to the world? Blot out our Order and untold misery would be its successor, yet there are those who, in their ostensibly Christian crusades against all secret societies, see nothing but evil in our association. They would destroy us, but offer nothing to take our place. It is undeniable that Oddfellowship has its peculiar mission; is doing a work that the Church too often neglects, as thousands can testify, and it does not interfere with the duty that a man owes to his God, his country, his family or himself. Based upon the broad platform of Universal Brotherhood, teaching no peculiar doctrine in religion, holding no affinity with political parties of any kind, opening its doors of relief and sympathy on the right hand and on the left, it invites all honest and true men to enter the portals of its Lodges, with making any sacrifice of their opinions, or changing, in any manner, their relations with the Church or the State.

It is about impossible to write this conclusion without taking a retrospective view of this great institution. At each recurring anniversary of the birth of the Order, the mind naturally reverts to the scenes of 1819. We imagine we see the five humble progenitors assembled in a dingy room, in an obscure tavern in Baltimore, on the 26th day of April, 1819, and formally and solemnly organizing Washington Lodge, No. 1. The "tallow dips" shed their dim light on the bronzed faces of the entire Brotherhood, then assembled to establish an organization, that was destined to startle the world. The wildest dreams of our forefathers could not have pictured to them the results to be attained; that in less than three-quarters of a century the successors of the little band of five would be numbered, not by thousands but hundreds of thousands, and that the triple link banner would float in every city, town and hamlet of North America, as well as in far distant lands; the sound of our gavel be heard at every minute and hour of the day, calling the Brethren to Order; the benefactions, the outgrowth of their humble efforts be counted by millions and the endeavor to alleviate the misery existing, exciting the admiration of the intelligent people of every clime and in every country.

Much as we may cogitate on the subject; examine the grand array of figures as we will, the human mind cannot appreciate the significance, cannot realize the

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14,657,999 93

extent of the offerings of the followers of the flag that is inscribed with the noble motto: "Friendship, Love and Truth."

We, as an Order, have been abundantly blessed in the past, and we may reasonably hope to be favored, in the future years, with the countenance and support of Him who has ever been our friend, our benefactor.

ASSETS.

The Grand Treasurer reports that the available assets of the Sovereign Grand Lodge, at this date, are as follows:

Balance in hands of Grand Treasurer.....	\$32,576 85
United States 4½ per cent. registered bonds.....	13,300 00
United States 4½ per cent. coupon bonds.....	23,000 00

Total.....\$68,876 85

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GRAND ENCAMPMENT IN MANITOBA.

We have great pleasure in reporting that the Subordinate Encampments in the Province of Manitoba petitioned the Sovereign Grand Lodge for a charter for a Grand Encampment in said Province; and that said petition was granted, and a Charter ordered to be issued and the Grand Officers directed to cause the Grand Encampment to be instituted.

ENCAMPMENT CARDS.

We submit the report of the Committee on the resolution which your Grand Body instructed your Representatives to submit for the approval of the Sovereign Grand Lodge. Your Committee on Legislation to whom was referred the following resolution offered by Representative Riddell, of Ontario, to wit: "Resolved, That the Committee on Legislation be instructed to consider and report on the advisability of such legislation as will enable members holding Encampment Cards to visit Subordinate Lodges upon such Cards," beg leave to report that the same having been carefully considered, the Committee deem it unwise to change existing law on the subject in the direction as indicated in above resolution, and recommend that the said resolution be not adopted, and that they be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report as above was adopted.

INSTALLATION CEREMONY.

The following resolution was adopted:

That whenever the present supply of Encampment Charge Books is disposed of, and a new edition printed, that the Installation Ceremony adopted in September, 1889, be printed in said editions and that hereafter the Installation Ceremony be furnished to Grand Encampments at fifty cents per copy, and to be sold to Subordinates at seventy-five cents.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Resolved, That Section 2, Article XVI. of the Constitution of the Sovereign Grand Lodge be, and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 2. No person shall be entitled to admission to the Order, except free white males, of good moral character, who have arrived at the age of eighteen years, and who believe in a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe; *provided*, that no person shall be admitted to membership who is under

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twenty-one years of age, in any Grand Jurisdiction until the Grand Lodge of such Jurisdiction shall, by a two-thirds vote, provide for the admission of persons under that age; *and provided, further*, that in Australia, New Zealand and other countries not on the continent of North America, in which the Order has been or may hereafter be established, and a Grand Lodge or Grand Lodges formed, the qualification as to age shall be left to local legislation.

We regret to report that the above resolution was resolved in the negative, the vote being 110 yeas—55 nays. We feel confident, however, that it is only a matter of time, when the resolution will be adopted, in fact we have every reason to hope that at the next session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge a vote in the affirmative will be recorded.

The Representatives from Ontario were placed on the following Committees :

CAMPBELL—Chairman of Foreign Relations.
ROBERTSON—on Appeals.
RIDDELL—on Grand Bodies not Represented.
HORNIBROOK—on Finance.

DEPUTY GRAND SIRE.

It is with feelings of sincere pleasure and gratification that we are enabled to report that the Senior Representative from the Jurisdiction of Ontario, Bro. Dr. Cl. T. Campbell, was, by we believe the largest vote ever polled in that Grand Body, elected Deputy Grand Sire of the Sovereign Grand Lodge—the second highest office in our Order.

The elevation of that talented, energetic and devoted Oddfellow to the high office, is but a just tribute to his worth, and while we feel deeply grateful that this "Canada of ours" has been so honored by the Sovereign Grand Lodge, we also feel that it was time that such an honor was bestowed.

We, as Representatives and Ontario as a Jurisdiction, acknowledge the honor and compliment paid to Dr. Campbell and to this Grand Jurisdiction.

We would here suggest that your Representatives for next year be instructed to invite the Sovereign Grand Lodge to hold the session of 1892 in Ontario, so that our first Canadian Grand Sire may be installed on Canadian soil, and if the invitation be accepted, which we are confident it will be, that we give the Officers and Representatives of the Sovereign Grand Lodge such a reception that they will never forget the hospitality of the Canadian Oddfellows.

SESSION OF 1891.

The next session of the Sovereign Grand Lodge will be held in the City of St. Louis, Missouri, commencing on the third Monday in September.

CONCLUSION.

We will now conclude this somewhat lengthy report. We thank you for the honor conferred upon us by electing us as your Representatives to the Sovereign Grand Lodge, and assure you that we have discharged the duties connected therewith to the best of our abilities.

We trust that the incoming year may be a bright and prosperous one for the Patriarchal Branch of the Order in this Jurisdiction.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK RIDDELL
JNO. T. HORNIBROOK. } *Grand Representatives.*

Toronto, October, 1890.

THE NEXT ANNUAL SESSION
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