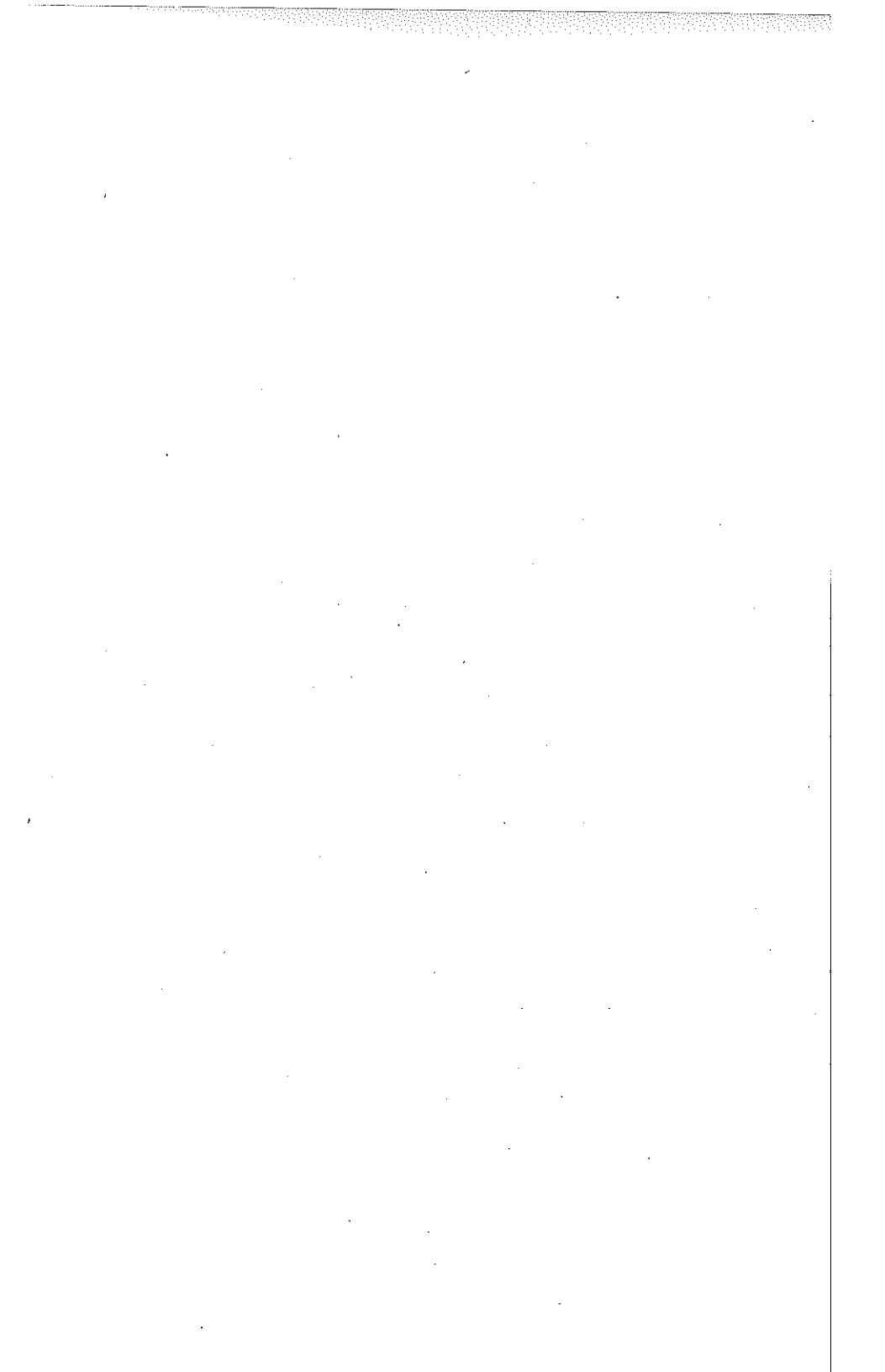


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PRESENT :

The following named Grand Officers :

CHAS. N. FOX,	<i>M. W. Grand Master.</i>
C. S. HASWELL,	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Master.</i>
S. W. BROCKWAY,	.....	<i>R. W. Grand Warden.</i>
T. RODGERS JOHNSON,	.....	<i>R. W. Grand Secretary.</i>
PHILO WHITE,	.....	<i>R. W. Grand Treasurer pro tem.</i>
C. W. DANNALS,	}	<i>R. W. Grand Representatives.</i>
J. A. McCLELLAND,		
REV. WM. H. HILL,	.....	<i>Worthy Grand Chaplain.</i>
D. B. WOOLF,	.....	<i>Worthy Grand Marshal.</i>
M. W. SHUSTER,	.....	<i>Worthy Grand Conductor pro tem.</i>
C. C. SMITH,	.....	<i>Worthy Grand Guardian.</i>
FRANKLIN WILLIAMS,	.....	<i>Worthy Grand Herald.</i>

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by Worthy Grand Chaplain.

Rep. Kendall, of No. 2, moved to receive the credentials of Representatives, and refer them to the Committee on Credentials.

Adopted.

M. W. Grand Master appointed Rep. Soher, of No. 44, to fill vacancy on Committee on Credentials, occasioned by non-attendance of P. G., G. O. Whitney, of No. 17.

The Committee on Credentials made the following report :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your Committee on Credentials would respectfully report, that they have examined the credentials received and submitted to them by the R. W. Grand Secretary, with the accompanying list of Representatives and Past Grands, and report the same correct.

No certificates of Representatives have been received from the following Lodges, viz : Nos. 26, 75, 77, 79, 91, 99, 104, 141, and Excelsior, No. 1, S. I.

LEWIS SOHER,
JOSEPH G. MYSELL,
D. B. WOOLF.

On motion of Rep. Robinson, of No. 124, the report was adopted, and the Representatives and Past Grands whose names were reported, were admitted, instructed in the work of the Grand Lodge, and took their seats as members.

[For names, see Appendix.]

The Grand Master filled the vacancies in the Regular Committees, occasioned by the absence of several members thereof; the Committees, when amended, being as follows :

REGULAR COMMITTEES.

<i>Committee on Credentials</i>	{ Lewis Soher, of No. 44. D. B. Woolf, of No. 96. J. G. Mysell, of No. 13.
<i>Committee on Finance</i>	{ Geo. M. Garwood, of No. 17. H. B. Brooks, of No. 3. H. Kozminsky, of No. 71. Thos. K. Hook, of No. 11. J. H. Gregory, of No. 34.
<i>Committee on Correspondence</i>	{ L. E. Pratt, of No. 24. T. Rodgers, Johnson, of No. 3. John F. Morse, of No. 1.

<i>Committee on Appeals</i>	{ A. A. Sargent, of No. 16. S. W. Brockway, of No. 44. J. B. Harmon, of No. 123. H. J. Tilden, of No. 124. T. R. Kibbe, of No. 12.
<i>Committee on Laws of Subordinates</i> ...	{ L. I. Alexander, of No. 15. John Bohm, of No. 13. John Shelley, of No. 109. James Davis, of No. 1. Henry Wartenberg, of No. 35.
<i>Committee on Petitions</i>	{ B. W. Barnes, of No. 80. A. J. Lucas, of No. 5. R. B. Norman, of No. 87. E. G. Hall, of No. 99. George Buck, of No. 65.
<i>Committee on State of the Order</i>	{ David Kendall, of No. 2. Davis Louderback, of No. 15. Wash. Bartlett, of No. 124. J. C. Bradley, of No. 45. John H. Seymour, of No. 62.
<i>Committee on Legislation</i>	{ J. H. McKune, of No. 8. A. B. Asher, of No. 24. M. M. Estee, of No. 123. E. W. Roberts, of No. 12. A. C. Bradford, of No. 39.
<i>Committee on Mileage</i>	{ C. O. Burton, of No. 6. Robert Irwin, of No. 17. Geo. I. N. Monell, of No. 124. Geo. T. Bohlen, of No. 15. John A. Whaley, of No. 85.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, offered the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

Resolved, That, unless otherwise specially ordered, the sessions of this R. W. Grand Lodge shall be as follows: From nine to half-past twelve o'clock, A.M., and from two to five o'clock, P.M.

The M. W. Grand Master, Charles N. Fox, made his annual report, as follows :

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE M. W. GRAND MASTER.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.
of the State of California :*

REPRESENTATIVES AND BROTHERS:—Once more, by permission of an all wise Providence, we are assembled together in Annual Communication, for the purpose of considering the best interests of our beloved Order, and of legislating for the promotion of its welfare and the good of our common race. For the privilege of this auspicious meeting, and the thousand other blessings which

have attended us during the year that is just closed, let us forget not to give thanks unto Our Father, the giver of every good and perfect gift; and as we enter upon the labors of this our sixteenth annual session, let us ask His blessing upon our convocation, and pray that all we do may redound to His glory, the prosperity of our Order and the happiness of mankind.

Under the Constitution it now becomes my duty to render to you an account of my stewardship, and to report to you the present condition of our Order in this jurisdiction. In doing this, I am happy in being able to assure you that success has abundantly crowned our efforts in every part of our wide domain, and that unexampled prosperity has attended us during the entire year.

GRAND LODGE OF NEVADA.

Two years ago we gave our consent to the proposition to form a Grand Lodge in the sister State of Nevada, then a part of this Grand Jurisdiction. At our last Annual Communication it will be remembered that the ten Lodges in that State were not represented or reported here. The M. W. Grand Master, in his report, incidentally alluded to their withdrawal, by saying, "There has been a steady increase of membership, notwithstanding the loss of the ten Lodges constituting the Grand Lodge of Nevada." But at that time we had received no official notice of the fact that they had been organized into an independent Grand Lodge, and this Grand Lodge took no action upon the subject. Upon returning to his office from that session, our Grand Secretary found awaiting him a communication from a committee of that body, officially informing us of the organization of the Grand Lodge of Nevada, and embodying certain resolutions expressive of the feelings of the members upon withdrawing from this jurisdiction. As this was evidently intended to have reached us in time to have been laid before this Grand Lodge at its last session, and as the Grand Lodge of Nevada was then soon to meet again, it was thought best that your executive officers should make some response to it in time for that meeting. I therefore prepared a reply, in which the Grand Secretary joined me, acknowledging the receipt of the communication, congratulating the brethren of Nevada upon the successful organization of their Grand Lodge, and assuring them, in substance, that their resolutions would be laid before this Grand Lodge at its present session, when no doubt you would make such further response as would be fitting the occasion.

The resolutions, and the reply, will both be found published in the Appendix to the Journal of our last session, and to them I beg leave to refer. They are now submitted to you, for such further action as you may deem proper in the premises.

OLD LODGES.

It affords me great pleasure to be able to say that none of the Lodges which were in existence under this jurisdiction when I entered upon this office, have been suspended or ceased to exist; on the contrary, so far as I know, the few that were languishing are stronger to-day than they were one year ago. Very few have decreased to any extent, and the large majority have increased in numbers, in wealth, in knowledge, and in their power for good; and two of those which were extinct have been restored. And our Order now holds the first position among the benevolent organizations in this State.

NEW LODGES.

On May 11th, 1867, the day following the adjournment of the Grand Lodge, assisted by the R. W. Grand Secretary, the W. Grand Marshal, P. G. M., C. O. Burton, Past Grand B. W. Barnes, R. E. Wilhoit, Edward Young, and others, I instituted PROGRESSIVE LODGE, No. 134, at Lockford, in San Joaquin

County, for which a charter was granted at your last session. I left this Lodge with twenty members, and though there can scarcely be said to be a town at the point where it is located, it is in the midst of a fine agricultural region, and its prospects for future growth were fair. The Lodge is attached to District No. Seven, and I am pleased to learn from Bro. Young, the Deputy, that it is working well, is free from debt, and bids fair to do good work in our noble cause.

June 19th, 1867, assisted by D. D. G. M., Jas. M. Daughters of La Porte, I instituted SILVER STAR LODGE, No. 135, at Susanville, Lassen County, for which a charter was also granted at last year's session. This is one of the most distant and inaccessible Lodges in our State. Its charter members had all been deprived of the privilege of attending Lodge meetings for a long time, but I found them to be active, intelligent men, and zealous Odd Fellows. I instructed them fully and carefully in the work, left them with twelve members, and was fully impressed with the idea that they realized the importance of the work committed to their charge, and would at any time in the future give a good account of themselves as a Lodge. I am happy to learn that though one of the most careful Lodges in the State, in reference to the character of the men received into it, its prosperity has been all that could have been desired. Fortunately, while I was there, P. G. John S. Ward, formerly of the Grand Lodge of Iowa, was admitted, and though he had not been in a Lodge for some eighteen years, he proved himself so bright in the work, I had no hesitation in appointing him Deputy Grand Master for the new District which I found it necessary to create for Lassen County.

June 20th, 1867, still assisted by the same able Deputy, Bro. Daughters, I instituted INDIAN VALLEY LODGE, No. 136, at Taylorville, Plumas County, composed of the following members, to whom I recommend that a charter be issued, to wit: W. L. Moore, P. G., N. B. Forgay, C. A. Leistner, S. S. Grass, N. C. Cunningham, P. G., S. N. Copeland and E. L. Wellington. I left this Lodge with eleven members, and a prospect, which has since been verified, of an early and considerable increase.

June 21st, 1867, I re-organized PLUMAS LODGE, No. 88, at Quincy, in Plumas County, in compliance with a resolution passed at our last session. The charter was restored to the following brothers, to wit; Henry W. Kellogg, Richard Thompson, Richard Irwin, John W. Richards, P. G., A. D. Halstead, A. Balyar, P. G., and D. Turner. Brother Daughters also assisted me in this work, and to him I am greatly indebted for his kindness in devoting an entire week, and making one of the most tedious journeys in the State, to assist in the organization of these three Lodges. The two last named were attached to his District, No. 17, but as winter approached I made them into a new District, No. 41, and appointed P. G., Henry Robinson, D. D. G. M.

July 10, 1867, assisted by the R. W. Grand Secretary, the W. Grand Marshal, D. D. G. M. Wanzer and a goodly number of the P. G.'s of Nos. 90 and 96, I instituted SOQUEL LODGE, No. 137, at Soquel, Santa Cruz County, with the following charter members, to wit: P. G. Thos. M. Davis, Bros. D. J. Cummings, Francis Rabel, Henry Bischel and Stephen F. Grover. This Lodge is attached to District No. 33, and is doing well.

August 6th, 1867, BOHEN LODGE, No. 138, at Wilmington, Los Angeles County, was instituted by D. D. G. M. Henry Wartenberg, acting under special commission, assisted by many Past Grands and brethren from Los Angeles. The following are the charter members: S. Benjamin, J. M. Cass, Frank E. Morton, Hill C. Lewis, Hermann Jacoby, Jno. J. Reynolds, J. R. Wilson, Marks Levy, David Eakins, Thos. Hayes. This Lodge is attached to District No. 30, and is in a very prosperous condition.

August 23d, 1867, assisted by D. D. G. M. Barker, and many others, I instituted GOLD RUN LODGE, No. 139, at Gold Run, in Placer County, with the following charter members: J. A. Stone, U. S. Walcott, W. R. Feidler, Geo. W. Heppard, J. H. Weissberger, Parker Halloway, Thornton King, and N. A. Bacres. This Lodge is attached to District No. 39, and is prospering.

August 30th, 1867, under a special commission issued for that purpose, MOUNTAIN VALE LODGE, No. 140, was instituted at Sierra Valley, Sierra County, by D. D. G. M., A. B. Asher, assisted by several Past Grands from Downieville. The charter members are: P. G., H. J. Turner, Bros. Joseph Ensoce, B. F. Lemman, W. J. Hamilton, and James H. Boyle. This Lodge is distant from any other, and almost inaccessible in winter. I have therefore created a new District, No. 43, and appointed P. G., H. K. Turner, D. D. G. M.

January 15th, 1868, I instituted MILLVILLE LODGE, No. 141, at Millville, Shasta County, with the following charter members, viz: A. Chatham, David King, Reuben Pearce, Wm. J. Bidwell, John Ellis, Thos. P. Simpson, Jas. Mears, D. C. Stephenson, and Hiram Taylor. This Lodge has a very good hall just prepared in anticipation of their organization, which was duly dedicated in the evening to the work of Friendship, Love, and Truth. In the work here I was duly assisted by P. G. Rep. D. Norcross, D. D. Grand Masters Isaacs, and Bofinger, and a large number of Past Grands from Red Bluff and Shasta. The Lodge is attached to District No. 22, and Bro. Isaacs assures me that it is doing well.

March 20th, 1868, assisted by the R. W. Grand Secretary, P. G. M., J. A. McClelland, D. D. Grand Masters Pidwell and Dibble, the W. Grand Marshal, P. G. Lewis Soher and many others, I instituted GARDEN CITY LODGE, No. 142, at the city of San Jose, in the County of Santa Clara, with the following charter members, to wit: P. G., R. I. Carter, P. G., C. C. Cook, Bros. John P. Backesto, Frank P. Risdon, Albert P. Hulse, John H. Gordon, Geo. W. Kneedler, H. E. Hills, Robert Scott, C. W. Pomeroy, Daniel J. Porter, and C. G. Button. This is the second Lodge in the city of San Jose, and I have much reason to believe that its institution will awaken a new interest in the old Lodge, and that within a few months Odd Fellowship will be more of an institution in that beautiful city than it has ever been before. Attached to District No. 20.

April 7th, 1868, upon petition of P. G.'s Geo. Grant, L. A. Walling, Geo. Flint, F. P. Montgomery, and Bros. John Single, Wm. Eberline and S. H. Simmons, members of MOUNTAIN ROSE LODGE, No. 26, at the time of the surrender of her charter, and upon being satisfied that all those who were members of said Lodge at that time and who are now in the vicinity, had been afforded an opportunity to join in said petition, I restored the Charter and effects of that Lodge to the brothers above named and their successors, and assisted by D. D. G. M., C. C. Smith and several P. G.'s from Grass Valley and Nevada, reorganized the Lodge at Rough and Ready, (its former site) in the County of Nevada. I believe this Lodge is now in good hands, and may ere long be once more a bright star in our constellation of Lodges. This Lodge is attached to District No. 9.

On the 18th of April, 1868, assisted by P. G.'s Lewis Soher, H. F. Swain, T. W. Lathrop, and G. W. Fox, I instituted OCEAN VIEW LODGE, No. 143, at Half Moon Bay, in San Mateo County, with the following charter members, to-wit: P. G., S. W. Soneckecker, Brothers W. A. Clark, J. S. Downing, Lewis Jacobson, and Jacob Rosenblum. Four others were admitted during my stay, and the Lodge starts under favorable auspices, and in a fair field of usefulness. This Lodge is attached to District No. 20.

Numbers 136 to 143, both inclusive, are working under dispensations. I recommend that charters be granted to them.

P. G., A. Beckford, a worthy and very efficient Odd Fellow, was one of the petitioners for the charter of GOLD RUN LODGE, No. 139; but upon proceeding to institute the Lodge, I found that he was in possession of a traveling, instead of a withdrawal card, and he was not admitted as a charter member. It seems the mistake was made by his former Lodge, in not issuing the card which was in fact granted. The mistake was soon corrected, and Bro. Beckford became a member of the new Lodge, who have forwarded me his card, and request that, if it be possible, he be recognized as a charter member.

PRESENT CONDITION OF THE ORDER.

No better commentary upon the present condition of the order in this jurisdiction could be made than that which is shown by the reports of my Deputies, which I have caused to be bound in a convenient form, and herewith present for your inspection.

From these reports we find that the increase during the year ending April 1st, has been one thousand four hundred and ninety-five, and it is a matter of congratulation that such increase has been mainly from the voluntary seeking, on the part of good men, for admission into our order.

The whole number of Lodges now subject to the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge is one hundred and thirty-eight. The number of members April 1st, was *nine thousand six hundred and thirty-six*.

The assets of the Lodges on the first of April were as follows :

Value of Libraries owned by Lodges.....	\$7,679 00
Value of Halls and Lots.....	98,540 00
Value of Cemeteries owned by Lodges.....	17,245 36
Other Real Estate owned by Lodges.....	35,464 00
Stock in Hall Associations.....	178,601 75
Furniture and Regalia.....	93,019 50
Cash on hand.....	70,377 87
Money at interest.....	89,318 98

Making a grand total of.....	\$590,245 46
From which should be deducted amount of Lodge indebt.	19,679 49

Leaving a balance of.....\$570,565 97

as a sacred fund accumulated in the hands of our Subordinate Lodges, devoted to the benevolent uses of our Order. To this should be added not less than forty-five thousand dollars invested in Libraries not owned by Lodges, but by independent associations of Odd Fellows. The one Library in San Francisco, one of the best on the Pacific Coast, embraces 15,544 volumes and is valued at \$35,733 12. Others of smaller pretensions are located at Sacramento, Stockton, Marysville, Petaluma and perhaps other places.

Such a record, in sixteen years, in a country so new that it has but eighteen years of history, is one of which we may well be proud. And yet this shows but a part of the work of Odd Fellowship within the field of our labor. In the fifteen years ending June 30th, 1867, we have, from our Lodge Treasuries alone, exclusive of all that has been done by members in their individual capacities, buried five hundred and twenty-six members, and furnished relief to seven thousand six hundred and fifty-one brothers, and three hundred and forty-eight widowed families, and have expended in gold:

For the relief of brothers.....	\$282,023 27
For the relief of widowed families.....	25,929 26
For the education of orphans.....	3,274 91
And for the burial of the dead.....	46,093 88
Other amounts embraced in the relief reports.....	22,871 12
Making a total of.....	\$380,192 44

actually expended for these benevolent purposes in the first fifteen years of our existence. Add to these the expenditures for the current year, now nearly closed, and the amount will not fall much, if any, short of four hundred and fifty thousand dollars!

When it is remembered that these figures include nothing that has been done by the Patriarchal Branch of our Order, and exclude everything in the way of private contribution, we may well feel that the institution of Odd Fellowship has not been established in vain on the soil of California.

VISITATIONS.

I did hope, when I accepted this position, to visit every Lodge in this State, during my term; but I early found that to be utterly impossible for me, or for any man who could not give up his whole time to the duties of Grand Master. I have devoted all the time to this work that I could possibly spare from my business, and even more than I ought to have done, in justice to myself and others. I might have visited a larger number of Lodges, by confining myself to those Lodges which were readily and quickly accessible from San Francisco; but I deemed it my duty, as far as possible, to visit those Lodges which had enjoyed the least opportunity for instruction, and received the least benefits from official visits. Therefore, whenever I could get away for any length of time, I have gone to the farthest points which could be reached within the time I had to spare, and at the same time have visited those more convenient, as opportunity offered. A number of Lodges, in counties near San Francisco, I had intended to visit in the winter months, but was prevented from doing so, on account of the unexpected and unusual inclemency of the winter, and consequent impassable condition of the roads.

As it is, I have traveled in person nearly eight thousand miles within this State; and have visited sixty-five Lodges, to-wit: Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 22, 26, 29, 30, 34, 39, 45, 46, 47, 49, 52, 53, 57, 59, 64, 65, 67, 71, 76, 80, 81, 88, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 96, 99, 100, 105, 107, 109, 111, 112, 113, 114, 116, 118, 121, 122, 123, 124, 127, 129, 131, 134, 135, 136, 137, 139, 141, 142, and 143.

In all these Lodges, except in San Francisco and Sacramento, and in one or more in each of those cities, I have exemplified our secret work, very fully and elaborately; and have endeavored to make it plain to officers and members, and to impress upon their minds the importance of absolute correctness, both in the instructions of officers and practice of members. And I have also endeavored, as best I could, by addresses to the brethren, to infuse them with renewed life and zeal in our holy cause, and to urge them to practice in their daily lives the teachings of our Order.

In addition to the Lodges named, I have, from time to time, and in various places, met the officers of Lodges not visited, and they have had the benefit of my instructions.

Wherever I have been, I have been received with the utmost kindness and cordiality. The brethren, everywhere, have listened attentively to my instruc-

tions, as well as my exhortations; and the number of them who have placed me under lasting obligations, by hospitalities and courtesies extended to me, personally, as well as because I was your representative, is so great that to name them all would be impracticable, and to name a part would make an unjust discrimination against the others. Let me assure them, one and all, that their courtesies have been fully appreciated, and will never be forgotten. My journeys have been one continued ovation; and though I have sought to make the year one of work, rather than of pleasure, the character of the work, and the receptions of my brethren, have made it the happiest year of my life. I can only hope that the benefits of my labors may be in some measure proportionate to the pleasures which I have enjoyed.

Peculiar circumstances render it proper that I should make special mention of my visits to Visalia and Red Bluff. At the former place, the brethren had never received a visit for purposes of instruction; and though being under the tuition of that zealous Odd Fellow and excellent deputy, Bro. C. L. Thomas, they were very well posted, they devoted the whole time of my stay, (two nights and one day) to the work of Odd Fellowship; and, at the same time, so filled in the little time spent out of the Lodge room, as to well repay me for the journey of five hundred and fifty miles, which I made to visit them. At Red Bluff, I was detained some five days, by stress of weather; and during all that time I kept a regular school of instruction, at which nearly all the brethren attended; and I feel confident that the work of, and the interest in that Lodge, was very much improved by my visit. And I shall never cease to remember the kindness and hospitality of my brethren there, during my entire stay among them.

I early learned that the Lodges in the extreme northern portion of the State had not been visited for many years, and were extremely anxious that an official visit should be made to them. As it was impossible for me to visit them in person, I endeavored to have them visited by competent brethren, under special commission. Nos. 77 and 85 were so visited, by P. G., Lewis Soher, who kindly consented to act as my representative at those places. He found those Lodges much in need of instruction, and gave it fully. I have no doubt they profited by his visit. His report is herewith submitted. I also made an arrangement with P. G. Rep. Meacham, to visit the north, under special commission: and he visited Lodges Nos. 19, 41, 57, 61, 70, 75, 76, 84, 101, and 115, and gave full instructions in all the work, for which, we all know he was especially qualified. His reception was especially gratifying wherever he went, and he has made a very full report, which is herewith submitted. As will be seen, two of the same Lodges were afterwards visited by myself, a good fortune which I did not anticipate when he was commissioned.

In August last, P. G. Rep. Norcross being in Victoria, I commissioned him, by telegraph, to confer the P. O., and other degrees, in Victoria Lodge, No. 1; which he did, exemplifying the work, and infusing new life into that Lodge, from which it has been greatly benefited.

Thus it will be seen that, during the year, seventy-seven of our Lodges have been visited, in person or by competent proxy; and many of them Lodges that are difficult of access and rarely visited. To make these visits, I have drawn from the fund provided by you for that purpose, the sum of seven hundred dollars: two hundred of which was paid to Bro. Meacham, for the expenses of the long and tedious journey which he made; the remaining five hundred having been expended by myself, on account of the traveling and other expenses, a memorandum of which has been filed with the Finance Committee.

THE WORK.

I do not propose to criticise the work of any of the Lodges I have visited. I have examined the officers of most of them in one form or another, but I do not consider such examination a fair test of their ability. Experience has satisfied me that, as a rule, none of the officers will do their work, or describe it, as well in the presence of a superior officer, who is there for the purpose of criticising, as they will under the ordinary circumstances in which it devolves upon them. The known presence of one who is taking notes, and whose business it is to comment on them with the authority of a teacher, is a greater or less embarrassment to most men; and as this affects men in different degrees, it may often happen that those who bear the poorest examination will really do the best work, when they have it in hand, and none but their own members around them. Suffice it to say, then, that all have a tolerably correct general idea of the work, and will give the signs, etc., reasonably correct; while few, if any, have the exact language of the secret work, and do not, therefore, give it in that clear, comprehensive manner; and in that unbroken chain, so well calculated to make an immediate and lasting impression upon the mind of the candidate. To get this language, is the work of time; and we can only hope to get it disseminated in the Lodges by selecting good Deputies, giving them better opportunities for learning the work than they have had, and then keeping them in office—the Lodges foregoing that rotating of honors, for which many of them are so anxious, for the sake of proficiency in the work. There is, however, a manifest and commendable determination on the part of officers, to give this work as nearly right as possible; and they succeed fully as well as we need reasonably anticipate, when we consider the meager opportunities they have for learning it. It is not so well practiced by the brethren, as it is given by the officers.

Members, even when well instructed, are too often careless in their use of the secret work—using it so indifferently, that many times it would scarcely entitle them to recognition as Odd Fellows. This is an evil which I have spent much time in endeavoring to correct, and I believe that my efforts in that direction have not been altogether in vain. Officers and members are not, generally, as prompt in, and as familiar with the work in the degrees, as I would like to see them. And though there is a marked improvement in this respect among the brethren in San Francisco, there is room for still further improvement throughout the jurisdiction. The degree work of the officers is generally well done, and especially so, when done in the Degree Lodges of San Francisco and Sacramento. We are too apt to think that the degrees are more ornamental than useful. The truth is, that for all purposes outside the Lodge room, the useful part of our work is all found in the degrees; and every one of their lessons are calculated, in their every letter and spirit, to make us more useful, better men.

So far as the written work is concerned, I have found greater dereliction in reference to that which pertains to the office of Junior Past Grand, than any other. In too many instances, very little interest is taken in the work of that chair; and the charges are not learned, but read from the book, thus greatly detracting from the beauty of our sublime ceremonies.

I have spoken in the Lodges frequently upon this subject, appealing to the pride, as well as to the sense of duty, of those upon whom the work devolves, and I am not certain, but it would be wise if some compulsory legislation on the subject could be adopted. Legislation, however, ought not to be necessary, for that position is one altogether of honor; its duty the crowning fabric of our beautiful work; and he who has attained that honor, ought to feel that his work as an Odd Fellow has just begun; and out of love and pride should per-

form that, and every other duty which thenceforward devolved upon him, in a manner consistent with the dignity of his high position in the Order. That, which before was a duty, should now be with him a labor of love. The work of the other chairs is generally performed without the aid of the books. It ought *always* to be so. No man can do justice to himself, or the work, so long as he has to depend upon books.

I would not have it understood, however, that in any of our work, the Lodges or members in this jurisdiction are behind their brethren elsewhere. On the contrary, I am assured, and believe, that when compared with other jurisdictions, we may feel a just pride in our growth and strength, in our work, and in our practice of the teachings of our Order; but let us not be content with being equal to others in so noble a work—so long as there is room for improvement, let us try to improve. Let "Excelsior" be our motto, and let us always deserve to bear it proudly on our banners.

THE RECORDS.

The visits of the Grand Master are necessarily too hurried to enable him to make any critical examination of the records. I have generally found the journals kept in nearly the form prescribed by this Grand Lodge, and some of them in a style reflecting great credit upon the officers and the Lodges. Where I have found errors in the manner of keeping them I have pointed them out and instructed the officers in relation thereto. The financial books would be much more difficult to understand, taking time which could not be devoted to the subject. There is no uniform mode of keeping them, and if there was, that fact would not insure against errors which the very nature of these books would render it impossible for a stranger at a glance to discover and point out. The work of examining these books must of necessity fall mainly upon finance committees, who should be selected with special reference to their qualifications for that duty, and who should never take anything for granted, but at the close of each term should make a thorough examination of all the financial accounts of the term. That there is much confusion in these accounts in the different Lodges is apparent from the discrepancies, frequent and embarrassing, which are found in their reports to the Grand Lodge.

ATTENDANCE.

The attendance on the occasion of my visits has been good, but a reference to the reports of my Deputies shows the average regular attendance upon our Lodge meetings to be only about thirty-three per cent. of our membership. This is partially accounted for by the fact that very many of our members live long distances from their Lodges, requiring too great a sacrifice of time to justify regular attendance. But, on the contrary, there are too many who have no such excuse, who are seen in the Lodge rooms only at rare intervals, and our Order suffers more than they can imagine from this neglect on their part. No Lodge can be prosperous when its own members are indifferent to its success. Indifference on their part naturally begets indifference on the part of those who might otherwise contribute largely to our increase and prosperity. It is an unbending law of nature that every tree shall be judged by its fruits. Our Order will, inevitably, be judged by its influence upon its members, and the interest they manifest in it.

DEGREE LODGES.

The want of some suitable form for the installation of the officers of Degree Lodges, is sadly felt by all who have any connection with such organizations. I am pleased to know that the subject is now under consideration by

the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, and that at the next session of that Grand Body, this want will probably be supplied.

Some legislation, at the hands of this Grand Lodge, in reference to Degree Lodges seems to me to be necessary. They should be required, by positive law, whenever they confer degrees upon the members of Subordinates, to report back, under seal, to the proper Subordinate, the degrees conferred, and the time when they were conferred. They should also be required to report, in some proper form, to this Grand Lodge, showing who their officers are—their nights of meeting, and giving such further information as will enable us to know their condition. I commend the subject to your consideration.

I have visited both the Degree Lodges working under this jurisdiction, and am pleased to be able to report that, in them both, the work of conferring, and instructing in the degrees, is done in a most superior manner. These Lodges are worthy the fostering care and encouragement of the brotherhood; and it is to be regretted, that the attendance at their meetings is not more general.

PROCLAMATIONS, DISPENSATIONS, ETC.

On the 20th of June, 1867, I issued a dispensation to all Lodges subordinate to this jurisdiction, permitting them to appear in procession on the approaching Fourth of July, in full regalia, or otherwise, as they might elect.

June 21st, in compliance with a resolution of this Grand Lodge, I issued a proclamation, or circular letter, to all Lodges in this jurisdiction, relative to contributing to the fund for the relief of Southern Lodges: a copy of which is herewith submitted. I am happy to say, that while a few Lodges declined to give anything to that cause, the response, as a whole, was exceedingly liberal; the Grand Secretary having received on account thereof the sum amounting in currency to \$4,081 00—the details of which will be given by him.

July 1st, 1867, I granted a dispensation to Vacaville Lodge, No. 83, to reinstate J. W. Anderson, who was expelled from said Lodge April 20th, 1861.

October 2d, granted dispensation to Mount Diablo Lodge, No. 128, to celebrate the anniversary of their organization, by public procession, ball, and supper, in the name of the Order, with leave to appear in the procession in full regalia.

October 23d, granted a like dispensation for an anniversary party and supper, in the name of the Order, to Templar Lodge, No. 17. This party was confined entirely to members of the Order and their families—was largely attended, and was an occasion of pleasure, long to be remembered by those who were present.

November 14th, granted dispensation to Schiller Lodge, No. 105, to give a ball in the name of the order on Nov. 20th, for the benefit of the widow and orphan fund of said Lodge.

December 17th, granted a like dispensation to Colusa Lodge, No. 133, for New Year's day.

December 27th, granted a dispensation, permitting Jackson Lodge No. 36, to hold a public installation, in a public hall, but specially prohibiting the doing of any other work outside their own hall.

February 1st, 1868, issued proclamation and dispensation to all Lodges in the jurisdiction, for the celebration of the forty-ninth anniversary of the institution of Odd Fellowship in America, a copy of which, as it was special in its terms, is herewith submitted.

March 13th, 1868, granted dispensation to Mariposa Lodge, No. 39, permitting them to hold their celebration and also to dedicate their new hall, on the 23d of April, and appear on that occasion in full regalia.

March 21st, 1868, granted a dispensation to Crusade Lodge, No. 93, to give a ball in the name of the order on the first day of May, 1868.

April 1st, 1868, granted a dispensation to Sutter Lodge, No. 100, to dedicate their new hall in public, and in full regalia, and to give an oration and ball in the name of the order, on the 2d day of April.

April 2d, 1868, by special dispensation written across the face of their Charter, at the unanimous request of the Lodge, and upon recommendation of their Deputy, I changed the location of Sutter Lodge, No. 100, from Nicolaius in the County of Sutter, to Wheatland in the County of Yuba. This change is represented and believed to have been absolutely necessary to preserve the life of the Lodge, and I recommend that it be specially approved.

DECISIONS.

During the year I have made the following decisions, to wit:

1st. No person who, by reason of the loss of a limb, is disqualified from correctly performing the work of our Order, should be initiated into it.

2d. A Scarlet member elected and installed, under dispensation properly issued, to the office of Noble Grand, to fill a vacancy, and serving the last part of the term, is entitled to the Past Grand's Degree.

3d. Degree fees should not be entered upon the record, or passed over to the Treasurer, until after the applicant's election.

4th. It is lawful for a Lodge to elect any member thereof to the office of N. G., who can produce satisfactory evidence that he has rendered sufficient previous service in office, whether that service was rendered in the same or some other Lodge.

5th. Applications for degrees must be referred to degree meeting, to be held immediately after the close of the session at which application is made. The Lodge need not, however, necessarily confer the degree at that time. Having opened in the degrees applied for, and thus acquired jurisdiction to act upon the application, it may postpone the conferring of the degree to another time if it desires.

6th. *At all meetings* of a Lodge the N. G., or, in his absence, the V. G., must preside; but the presiding officer may call some experienced P. G. to the chair for the purpose of *conferring* degrees. In the absence of both N. G. and V. G., a P. G. may preside, the senior P. G. present being entitled to the preference.

7th. A D. D. Grand Master has the power to grant a dispensation to confer the five degrees upon a brother who has not been in membership one month.

8th. A Subordinate Lodge has not the right to prescribe by its by-laws that none but members of the Scarlet Degree shall be entitled to benefits.

9th. Under the law as it now stands, persons to be admitted as non-affiliates, must have been under suspension from a Lodge in some other jurisdiction for a term not less than three years.

10th. To keep a gambling house is a violation of the criminal code of this State, and any business carried on in violation of the laws of the State, is not a "reputable business" within the meaning of our laws defining the qualifications for membership.

Among the decisions made by my Deputies are the following:

By D. D. G. M., Edward Young:

1st. A brother installed as Recording Secretary cannot at the same time be installed as Treasurer.

2d. A person having lost either hand is not a proper person for initiation into our Order.

By D. D. G. M., George Buck:

On the regular night for election of officers, the N. G., V. G., and some of the nominees were absent on account of high water. The Past Grands present took the principal chairs, opened the Lodge, and proceeded with the regular business, and among other things with the election of officers. The Deputy decided that an election by a Lodge so constituted and presided over was illegal.

A few other decisions have been made by Deputies, which I do not deem it necessary to report here. They have also made a few suggestions which will be readily found in their reports, and which it may be well for the Committee on the State of the Order to examine.

OTHER OFFICIAL ACTS.

On the 5th of June, 1867, I received an appeal from Central Lodge, No. 18, of Alabama, for aid, issued under authority of the Grand Master of that jurisdiction, asking my permission to circulate it among the Lodges of this State. I have since received several others, of like import, from Southern jurisdictions; but in view of the general system which had been adopted for the relief of Southern Lodges, towards which our Lodges have contributed so liberally, I have invariably declined to grant permission for their circulation. I have noticed that a few have been sent directly to the Lodges, without permission, and, have no doubt, some of our Lodges have responded.

June 14th, I received the resignation of D. D. G. M., A. A. Sargent, of District No. 9, and commissioned P. G. M., T. R. Kibbe, in his place. The latter also soon after resigned, when I appointed our Worthy Grand Guardian, C. C. Smith, to that position. He still holds the place, and has proved a prompt and efficient Deputy.

On the same date, I also received the resignation of D. D. G. M., J. Hanson, of District No. 34; and, on his recommendation, and that of our R. W. Grand Warden, appointed P. G., O. F. Tibbits, of No. 44, in his stead.

June 30th, by special request, I presided at a large meeting of the members and friends of our Order, at the Unitarian church, in San Francisco, at which, P. G., Rep. Nathan Porter, pronounced an able eulogy upon the life and character of P. G. M., Jas. A. J. Bohem.

In July, and again in January, in compliance with the request of this Grand Lodge, I assisted the D. D. G. M., of District No. 1, in the installation of the officers of the various Lodges in his District.

July 15th, I received the resignation of D. D. G. M., W. W. Pendegast, of District No. 14, and on his recommendation, and that of his Lodge, appointed P. G., J. C. Pierson in his place.

September 3d, at the request of the Lodge, and upon the recommendation of Bro. Shuster, the Deputy, I detached Colusa Lodge, No. 133, from District No. 5, and made it into a new District, numbered 35; of which, I appointed P. G. Moses Stinchfield, Deputy.

Samaritan Lodge, No. 126, having lost their hall, regalia, and other property, by fire on August 16th, on the 7th of September I issued a circular letter, in the usual form, recommending the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction to contribute to the relief of said Lodge. The amount of donations to that object will be reported by the Grand Secretary.

November 17, assisted by the R. W. Grand Secretary, the D. D. G. M. of District No. 1, and others, in the presence of a large concourse of brethren and friends, I performed the ceremony of laying the corner stone of the Parker Monument—the ceremonies being copied after those used at the laying of the corner stone of the Wilkey Monument, by the M. W. Grand Sire.

January 15th, 1868, assisted by P. G. Rep. Norcross, and a number of Past Grands from Red Bluff and Shasta, I had the pleasure of dedicating to the sacred uses of our Order, a very creditable new hall, just erected by the brethren at Millville, in Shasta county. As the erection of this hall was the first step towards the organization of the Lodge at that place, it speaks volumes for the energy and perseverance of the brethren, and gives double assurance of the ultimate success of the new Lodge.

About the middle of February, I received a request from Pilot Peak Lodge, No. 91, for leave to apply to her sister Lodges for relief. As her necessities were only stated in general terms, I wrote back to the Deputy, requesting more minute information, and suggesting that the matter be presented directly to the Grand Lodge, at this session. I have just received a further communication on the subject, and the whole matter is now presented for your consideration.

April 2d, assisted by the R. W. Grand Secretary, P. G. M. David Kendall, and several others, I dedicated the new hall of Sutter Lodge, No. 100, at Wheatland, in Yuba County; and on that occasion, our R. W. Deputy Grand Master delivered an able dedicatory address, worthy of the man and of the Order. The hall is a substantial frame building, well secured, just erected, and owned by the Lodge.

It gave me great satisfaction on the 23d of April, assisted by D. D. G. M., Hall, and others, to dedicate to the uses and purposes of Odd Fellowship, a new, and very substantial and elegant fire-proof hall, built and owned by Mariposa Lodge, No. 39. That Lodge has been for some time without a home, and unable to do much work; but now, upon getting into their new hall, the members seem full of zeal and life, and there is every reason to believe that she will prove herself as noble a Lodge in the future, as she did before the day of her adversity.

I have, many times during the year, conferred the Degree of Rebekah; and have, on those occasions, as well as in the exemplification of the work, sought to make that beautiful degree better understood and appreciated.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence of this office for the year is herewith presented, letter-

press copies of that on my part, with the exception of a few unimportant letters, such as the making of appointments and the like, having been preserved.

ORPHANS' HOME AND COLLEGE.

This subject was referred to the Standing Committee. My own labors have been so incessant, that I have not been able to give it that attention which the subject deserves. But I do not desire to see it lost sight of. Some measure should be adopted to establish at least a home for the orphans of Odd Fellows, where they could receive our protecting care, and a primary education, without resort on our part to sectarian asylums. A sister organization, not possessing the strength that we do, has already made a fair start in this direction. As I am satisfied the Chairman or Secretary of the Standing Committee cannot give much attention to this subject, I suggest that it be sent back again to a special committee, to mature some plan of action, with power to accept contributions of land or money for that object, and generally to take such action as they may deem best in the premises; provided, however, that they shall take no action which shall create any liability against this Grand Lodge, until they have first reported and received its assent thereto.

SUISUN LODGE, NO. 78.

It will be remembered that there was an appeal case from this Lodge before the Grand Lodge at its last session, which was sent back to the Lodge for further proceedings. That case is not yet disposed of, and is creating much anxiety in the Lodge at the present time. It has been impossible for me to visit the Lodge and investigate these matters in person, but the Lodge have sent me a memorial, adopted with great unanimity, and a certified copy of the record of their proceedings on the subject, which they desire to have presented to this Grand Lodge. The plaintiff in said appeal case has also just presented a counter statement. All the papers are herewith presented, and I suggest that they be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

ELECTIONEERING.

In a few instances during the past year, it has come under my observation, and I have noticed it with no little alarm and regret, that electioneering for officers in Subordinates has been resorted to, to such an extent, as, for a time at least, seriously to disturb the harmony of the Lodge; and to engender in the breasts of brethren those very dissensions, and angry heart-burnings, which it should be our studied effort to banish from the hearts of men. This is an evil which ought, in my judgment, to be at once and forever eradicated.

To pass through the chairs, and receive the honors of the Order, is a summation worthy the ambition of any man; but he who seeks to accomplish it by any other than the most honorable means—even though he may acquire the honors—proves himself unworthy of them, and shows that he is actuated by motives more selfish than fraternal. I would not think it improper, in nominating a brother for office, or, at any suitable time before the ballot, to frankly and manfully state his merits in open Lodge, being careful to resort to no trick, or aspersion of others, in the advocacy of his cause; but I cannot believe it consistent with the true spirit of Odd Fellowship to resort to a system of “button-holing,” and “drumming-up” of indifferent laggards, who do not take sufficient interest in the work and welfare of the Order, to act independently on the subject—a system which seems to belong especially to ward politicians, and which is much better adapted to public bar-rooms, than to the sanctuaries of our fraternity. Perhaps this evil does not exist to such an extent as to demand legislation upon the subject; but, that it exists to any extent, I regard as sufficient reason to justify this allusion to it. And that it does exist in some

cases to a degree that brings reproach upon our good name, is too apparent at the present time, to be overlooked.

PARKER MONUMENT.

The committee having charge of this work have completed their labors, so far as the erection of the monument is concerned, and have received funds sufficient to pay the expenses incurred by them. They will submit to you a detailed report of their transactions, and will, probably during this session, turn the monument over to this Grand Lodge. Some steps, however, should be taken for the preservation of the monument, and improvement of the grounds, and I suggest that the same committee be continued, and that some action be had toward providing a fund for that purpose.

The death of P. G. Piper created a vacancy in the committee, which was filled by the standing committee appointing P. G. Thomas Stealy to that place.

DEATHS.

The Angel of Death has not been unmindful of us during the year that has closed. Though his message, when it comes to the good man, is a message of peace, calling him from the cares and labors of this world, to the joys and eternal rest of a brighter and a better home; when obeyed—as all his mandates must be obeyed—it leaves behind an aching void, which can never be filled. Though we may say with our lips, and feel with our hearts, that those who have been called hence during the year just passed, have “only gone before,” to take up their abode in that celestial lodge, “not made with hands, eternal in the heavens,” and that their early going has been “their eternal gain,” we cannot but feel that it has been to us a great and abiding loss. No more shining mark could have been selected, than that which was taken; and no heavier blow could befall us, than that which did befall us on the evening of the 25th of May, 1867, when he whom we most loved, and most delighted to honor,

PAST GRAND MASTER JAS. A. J. BOHEN,

passed from earth to heaven. Sweetly he fell asleep, as an infant on its mother's breast. In life he had endeared himself to each and every one of us, by his good works—his generous and unsullied character. To our Order he was a tower of strength. In his death, we all feel that we have lost, not only a friend, but a brother; and that our Order has lost one of its brightest lights, one of its strongest arms. It is not for me, at this time and place, to pronounce his eulogy. You, brothers, in your own good time and terms, will testify of his great worth—his noble character. I may be permitted, however, here to place upon record my individual estimate of his character, as I stated it at the time of his funeral: “His life was devoted to us and the family of man. His highest ambition was, to do good unto others. He had no aspirations for mere greatness, but his whole character was based upon the divine attributes of mercy and love. Purity of thought and purpose was apparent in his every act; and Truth was the cardinal virtue of his manhood.” While we mourn his loss, let us not forget his dying exhortation to the brethren of his Lodge: “In your daily works of life exemplify the beauties of Odd Fellowship. Live moral and religious lives. Be charitable—be generous—be just.”

Immediately upon learning of the death of Brother Bohem, I called an informal meeting of the officers and members of the Grand Lodge, in this city and vicinity; and at that meeting, Yerba Buena Lodge, to which he belonged, feeling that in fact he belonged to no Lodge, but to the whole great Fraternity of Odd Fellows, tendered his mortal remains, and requested that they should be buried under the auspices of the Grand Lodge. With my entire approval,

the tender was accepted, and on Tuesday, May 28th, all that was left of him on earth, was borne by the officers and members of this Grand Lodge, followed by mourning thousands, to that Sinai of Odd Fellowship, whereon already slept the lamented Parker, side by side with whom we placed him. PARKER—BOHEN. In life they wrought together—sworn brothers in one holy cause: equal in rank—equal in honor—equal in their place in the hearts of our Brotherhood—for years they had labored side by side in the upbuilding of our noble Order. Each a master architect of this Grand Lodge: the first the father and founder of that great storehouse of knowledge in this city, of which we are all so proud—the Odd Fellows' Library: the other, the father and founder of this beautiful temple in which we meet, dedicated to the great cause of human brotherhood. Neither bound by any ties of kindred that should render it necessary to separate them in death; it seemed especially fitting that, as they were called home to dwell together in the great Grand Lodge above, their bodies should sleep together in one grave—beneath one stone, whereon the brethren of our Order might look, and learn, as our fathers of old learned from the table on the mount, the law of *truth and love*.

Such was the feeling by which we were governed in the selection of the place of his burial; and I now earnestly recommend that the act of placing him beneath the Parker Monument be approved, and that a tablet be placed upon that monument dedicated to his memory.

P. G. JOHN Q. PIPER,

one of the founders, and always one of the most active members of this Grand Lodge, and at the time of his death one of its Trustees, died at San Francisco on the 23d of July last. Bro. Piper was stricken down by an accident, in the full vigor of his life and strength. Always an active, earnest Odd Fellow, he died as such a man might wish to die—literally with his armor on; having been stricken down while visiting the sick, actively engaged in the performance of his duties as an Odd Fellow. Although one of the founders of the Order on this coast, he has never held, nor, so far as I know, has he ever sought any of the elective offices of this Grand Lodge; but he has always been one of its most active workers. And he was one of those who did the real work enjoined by our teachings. There are many who can testify, that in times of adversity, without ostentation, with a discriminating judgment, but with an unsparing hand, he relieved the distressed, without inquiring of their creed or country. In this, let us emulate his virtue, and cherish his memory.

WORTHY GRAND CONDUCTOR T. F. BAYLIS,

died suddenly at Petaluma, on the 10th day of September last; thus rendering vacant another of the seats which have been long and regularly filled in this Grand Lodge, and leaving us again to mourn the loss of a warm-hearted and generous brother, and the community in which he lived to feel that one of her most estimable citizens is gone.

In addition to those above named, the following Past Grands have died during the year, to-wit:

Hiram L. Cach, of No. 4,	Luther B. Curtis, of No. 37,
Charles Smith, of No. 10,	James H. Gordon, of No. 41,
C. W. Littler, of No. 15,	R. Edmund, of No. 68,
J. R. Batchelor, of No. 27,	— Williams of No. 97,
John Sheffield, of No. 35,	Josiah F. Greeley, of No. 104,
J. W. Lehman, of No. 105.	

GRAND LODGE OF AUSTRALIA.

It will be remembered, that as long ago as 1858, the Ancient Independent Order of Odd Fellows in Australia, opened a correspondence with our R. W. Grand Secretary, with a view to affiliation with our Order. Of course, as an officer of this Grand Lodge, he could take no jurisdiction of the subject; but, being himself a representative to the Grand Lodge of the United States, he submitted the correspondence to that august body. The proposition was favorably received, but no definite action was had, for several reasons; among which, was the difficulty and expense (which the Grand Lodge of the United States was not willing to assume,) of sending out a competent person, to instruct in our work, and insure its complete adoption, and the abrogation of their old work, on the part of the membership in Australia. However, in the following year a blank commission as special Deputy Grand Sire, for that work, together with a number of dispensations for Subordinate Lodges and Encampments, and a Grand Lodge, were placed in the custody of Grand Secretary and P. G. Rep. Johnson, with authority to use them whenever a competent person could be found who would undertake the work, without expense to the Grand Lodge of the United States. Thus the matter stood until the 9th of last September, when it was found that P. G. Rep. A. D. Meacham, who is thoroughly conversant with the laws and usages of our Order, and with our secret work, was, under the advice of his physician, about to visit that Continent. Bro. Johnson immediately consulted with me about the propriety of issuing to him the commission and papers above referred to. There was no time to consult the Grand Lodge of the United States. It must be done at once; or, if not done, an opportunity be lost, the like of which might not occur again for years. The proposition struck me with favor; and after a full conference upon the subject, the commission was tendered to Bro. Meacham, and by him accepted. There was no time to draw on the Grand Lodge of the United States for necessary working books, journals, etc., and, with my entire approval, he was supplied from our stock, and the supplies so furnished charged to the Grand Lodge of the United States. The executive officers of that Body have approved this act, and have already returned all or nearly all such supplies. Bro. Johnson and myself each gave to Bro. Meacham a letter, certifying to his competency for the work he had undertaken, and commending him to the fraternal care and protection of the brethren in Australia.

Some time since Bro. Meacham sent back an elaborate report of what was being done toward the accomplishment of his mission, which he desired laid before this Grand Lodge. That report was published in full in the *New Age* of March 28th, and, as later dates bring us a report of the full fruition of his hopes—of the complete success of his mission—of the organization of the Grand Lodge of Australia, and of the addition of four thousand two hundred Odd Fellows to the roll of our Independent Order, I deem a simple reference to that published report all that is necessary.

Under date of February 15th, Bro. Meacham forwarded a letter to our R. W. Grand Secretary, which has been kindly placed at my disposal, of which the following is a copy:

MELBOURNE, February 25th, 1868.

T. Rodgers Johnson, Esq., Grand Secretary Grand Lodge of Cal.

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:

I have the gratifying intelligence to impart to the Grand Lodge, that the union of our Order in America and Australia is now an accomplished fact. As I informed you in a previous communication, the subject of

affiliation had been again referred to the Subordinate Lodges for consideration. On their invitation, I have visited the principal Districts and Lodges in the Colony, and given such explanations as were desired. And on Saturday last, the 22d inst., a special Grand Lodge meeting was convened at the city of Geelong, at which nearly the whole of the jurisdiction was largely represented. After a full discussion, the proposition was carried by an overwhelming vote—only nine voting in the negative, and five of them came over immediately after the vote was taken. I then at once reorganized this Grand Lodge, on the basis of an independent charter, and installed the following officers, whose terms will expire at their next Annual Communication, in September next:

William Stirling, of Winchelsea, M. W. Grand Master.
 Jno. W. Dickinson, of Melbourne, R. W. D. Grand Master.
 James Brewster, of Ballarat, R. W. Grand Warden.
 A. J. Cohen, of Melbourne, R. W. Grand Secretary.
 Jno. Hedrick, of Geelong, R. W. Grand Treasurer.

I then instructed the Grand Lodge fully in the Grand Lodge Degree, and all the degrees of the Subordinate Lodge, and all Honorary Degrees.

In the evening a general meeting of the Order was held, at which I gave them the ceremony of *initiation* in full, and all instructions pertaining to the same, which appeared to give much satisfaction.

The various Subordinate Lodges will now be placed in possession of the new work, as fast as possible—they continuing as heretofore, till that can be properly done. I anticipate much good results from this union, and to the Grand Lodge of California will justly belong the honor of inaugurating our Order in this portion of the world, and that, too, on a sound respectable footing, as this branch occupies a very good position, socially and financially, and is perfectly sound.

As I have just returned to the city from Geelong, and the mail is about closing, I have no time to write more at present.

Yours Fraternaly,

A. D. MEACHAM, Special D. G. S.

Further comment on my part seems unnecessary. The success of the enterprise must rejoice the heart of every good Odd Fellow, and the good that must ultimately flow from it cannot now be estimated. I regard it as the first great step towards the diffusion of our beloved Order throughout the civilized parts of the earth. Some action on the part of this Grand Lodge, in recognition of our new found brethren in the continent of Australia, and welcoming them among the sisterhood of Grand Lodges, would not be out of place.

DIFFUSION OF THE ORDER.

California has contributed not a little towards the diffusion of our Order into new fields. The Grand Lodge of Nevada is unquestionably our own offspring. The Grand Lodge of Australia may be so far accredited to us as to give us the right to regard it with a special affection. Missionaries from our Lodges have planted the good seeds of our Order in Idaho and Montana, and within the last week a member of this Grand Lodge has received the necessary dispensation and papers from the Grand Lodge of the United States, and has gone hence to erect the first altar to Odd Fellowship in the Territory of Arizona. Wherever the seed has been planted, it has taken root and brought forth good fruit. So may it ever be, until mankind are firmly knit together in the bonds of *Universal Love*.

ANNUAL COMMUNICATION.

After the observation and experience of the past year I am unwilling to close this report without urging upon you what seems to me the importance of, and necessity for, some legislation changing the time of holding our annual sessions. Looking to the present condition of the Order in this jurisdiction, I feel convinced that our sessions are held at about the most inconvenient period that could have been selected. The time was when, our Lodges being few, and confined to commercial centers, this may have been the best time for our meetings, because best calculated to accommodate the class of men who attended them. But that time has long since passed. Our Lodges are no longer confined to the larger cities, but are scattered all over the State, from Sisliyou to Los Angeles—from Honey Lake and Pilot Peak to the broad Pacific. Every mountain that yields its shining ore to enrich the world, swarms with Odd Fellows—large hearted—open handed—and zealous in the cause of love to man. Every valley, returning golden harvests to the patient husbandman, teems also with good and ardent men who are with us and of us in the great cause of truth and humanity. Our Grand Lodge is no longer made up principally of commercial and professional men, but is composed largely of intelligent farmers, miners and mechanics, whose business is sadly interfered with by the inauspicious period of our sessions.

In May the farmer is in the midst of his haying or preparing for his harvest. The success of the miner depends largely upon his supply of water. Just now that supply is most abundant, and he must use it as it flows, or sacrifice what is to him the most profitable season of the year. In the rural districts the mechanic's busiest time is when those around him are busy. So, as a class, none of these can come to us without unnecessary sacrifice to themselves. To the dwellers in cities it does not seem to me that this time can be much more propitious than any other. Taking it, then, as a whole, is it not better that we should meet at some time when the burthen of the harvest is over, when the water is low, and when the laborer can, without material loss, rest for a time from his labors? Some have urged that this is the best time for travel, but if such will make the circuit of the State, at all seasons, they will conclude that the dust in midsummer and early autumn in some places is not an offset to the deep snows and swollen streams of early May in others.

Again, our sessions should be held just after, instead of just before the close of our fiscal year, so that we may have, at the session, the latest reports from all the Lodges, and have before us the material from which we are to make up our reports to the Grand Lodge of the United States. Then we could insure full returns for that Grand Body; now we have the utmost difficulty every year in getting them in time.

After much consideration of the subject, I earnestly recommend that the time of holding our annual communications be changed to the fourth Tuesday in July, and that it be made an inviolable rule that no representative can take his seat in the Grand Lodge, until the returns from his Lodge for the term and year ending on the preceding 30th of June are filed with the Grand Secretary. We require now that such report shall be made at each annual session, and then meet two months before it is possible to make it. This will not only insure the returns in time for the G. L. U. S., but I think the time will be found much more convenient for the members of this Grand Lodge. The harvest will then be mainly over, and the most pressing season for miners will then be passed.

It may be objected that this will leave too short a time for our representatives to prepare for their journey eastward. My answer is, that by the route

now traveled it will give them ten days in which to get ready, and a good business man is more likely to be able to get ready in ten days than he is to know, three months beforehand, whether he can go or not. Again, only one session more is likely to be held before the great Pacific Railway will span the continent, and then a month will intervene before he need to start.

Another important point gained by this change will be that the Grand Master will have the benefit of instruction from the latest representatives early in his term of office. Now, although they are required to give him the work upon their return, the burthen of his work of instructing Lodges must necessarily be done before he receives the work from them, and if there should be any variance whatever between him and the representatives he is either compelled to disregard their instructions till this Grand Lodge meets, or be in the inconsistent position of instructing differently at different times, and in different parts of the State. I commend the subject of this change to your careful consideration.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

At the early date of October 8th, 1867, I received the P. W.'s for 1868, from R. W. Grand Representative McClelland. Both our Representatives returned to this State in November, and immediately communicated with me, giving me such new points as they had discovered in reference to the secret work, and they have since prepared an elaborate report which will be presented in due time. For their promptness and efficiency as Representatives, they are entitled to and have my hearty thanks, as I have no doubt they will have of this Grand Lodge.

GRAND SECRETARY.

I am under many and lasting obligations to R. W. Grand Secretary Johnson, for the aid which he has rendered me, and the increased facilities which his large experience has enabled him to give, in the performance of my duties. While I return him my sincere thanks, I cannot refrain from expressing the conviction to which I have been led by the observations of the past year, that there is no man now living to whom the Order in this jurisdiction is more indebted for its present degree of prosperity, and for the high position now held by this among its sister Grand Lodges. The time will come when the brotherhood will desire some memento of one who has contributed so much towards the proud record of our Order on this coast, and I suggest, not more as a compliment to him, than as an act of justice toward ourselves and those who come after us, that we procure his portrait, uniform with those of the Grand Masters, for the use of the Grand Lodge.

GRAND TREASURER.

On the first of July last, leave of absence for six months was granted to our R. W. Grand Treasurer. It has given me much pain to learn that continued illness in his family has protracted his stay, so that he has not yet returned, and will not be present with us at this session. I believe, however, that it will be found that the affairs of his office have been managed with care and fidelity, and that there will be no cause of complaint on that account.

DISTRICT DEPUTIES.

Knowing that much of the prosperity and harmony of the Order would depend upon the District Deputy Grand Masters, I was especially anxious to secure good men for those positions, and I have reason to be eminently satisfied with the appointments which were made. Two of those, whom I know personally, and of whom I felt especially proud, disappointed me by their early resignation, for which, however, they gave satisfactory reasons, and they

assisted me in securing good successors. All of the Deputies have been prompt in making all needful reports to me, generally attentive in making returns to the Grand Secretary, and, so far as I can learn or judge from any thing that has come under my observation, they have by wise counsels preserved harmony and good feeling in the Lodges, and given satisfaction to the brotherhood. In every District where I have visited, and in nearly every Lodge, I have been promptly and regularly attended by the Deputy of the District, and each has seemed determined to make my stay in his District agreeable to myself as well as profitable to the brethren. All have my earnest thanks for their zeal and efficiency as well as for their personal kindness.

The Deputy of District No. 1 (Bro. C. T. Pidwell), whose District embraces ten Lodges, and one-fourth of the entire brotherhood of the State, makes the following remarks upon the subject of the proposed division of that District:

"Previous to my appointment to the position of D. D. G. M., I was opposed to a division of this District, and now that I have held the position, I feel it my duty to say that I still think such division would do more harm than good. The only possible argument in favor of division is the inconvenience of installing two Lodges upon one night. The arguments opposed to such division are numerous, chief of which is the probability of having opinions promulgated in reference to some particular laws which would be conflicting in their character, and which would, to a certain extent, create a feeling either between the two Deputies or the Lodges which they represented. The Lodges now appear to be working in perfect harmony with one another, and I feel that it would be wrong to make any change that would tend to disturb the present feeling of cordiality and brotherly love."

In these views I fully concur with Bro. Pidwell. Under his administration the affairs of that large District have been so wisely managed, that not a single division has occurred, or question arisen for adjudication. I see no reason why this perfect harmony may not be continued, and think it would be much wiser to have the Grand Master act in person, or designate some elective or past officer of the Grand Lodge to act in conjunction with the Deputy in the installation of officers, than to put two Deputies, with full powers as such, into a field so intimately connected as that one is.

NEW AGE.

This paper still maintains its reputation and standing as a journal devoted to Odd Fellowship, being the only weekly publication of the kind on the continent, and being conducted in a manner creditable alike to the Order and to its managers. It has, undoubtedly, done much good in the dissemination of useful knowledge in regard to the character and principles of our Order, and I am personally under many obligations to its managers and editors for their promptness and liberality in the publication of general proclamations and other notices emanating from my office.

ODD FELLOWS' LIBRARY OF SAN FRANCISCO.

Though this institution does not come within my official jurisdiction, since it has proved itself so valuable an aid to the cause of Odd Fellowship in this city, and since its founder and especial patron is now no more, I cannot resist the temptation, to ask for it the kindly interest of our brethren throughout the jurisdiction. Its shelves, as is already seen, are amply stored with the choicest works, open to our brethren from wheresoever they may come. Its rooms, elegantly fitted up, are the home of Odd Fellows from the North, the South, the East and the West. Its cabinet is already of no mean proportions; but there are many rare specimens of interest to the curious or the learned,

daily being discovered upon this coast, which might be added to it, without cost, and with but little trouble to our members if they would give it their attention. Let me ask of our brethren, then, as they have opportunity, without burdening themselves, to contribute from the great storehouse of curiosities in which they live, to this cabinet, the nucleus of which was formed by our first Grand Master, and assist in making it a monument worthy of his memory.

In this connection let me add, that our brethren, everywhere, can engage in no more laudable work—can do no act better calculated to accomplish the great purpose of our organization—than to build up libraries all over the State. I am pleased to see a considerable interest taken in this subject already, and I hope the time is not far distant, when every Odd Fellows' Hall will have its library, open to all the members of our Fraternity.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

In addition to the personal obligations under which I feel myself to the brethren of our Order, I am, as your representative, under special obligations to the California Steam Navigation Company, the Central Pacific R. R. Company, the San Francisco and San Jose R. R. Company, the California Central R. R. Company, and to the Northern California R. R. Company, for courtesies extended.

CONCLUSION.

And now brothers, my acts and their results, so far as results are yet made manifest, are before you. Your work is about to begin. Conscious of imperfections on my own part, let me indulge the hope that, while you approve nothing which has been done amiss, you will look upon my deficiencies, both in the past and in the duties which now devolve upon me, with that charity which is characteristic of our Order; and that in the performance of the duties of the present session, we shall all be guided by wisdom from on high, and act with that prudence, zeal, integrity, and in that spirit of brotherly love, which is best calculated to give character and stability to our works, and to redound to the honor of our Order.

CHAS. N. FOX, Grand Master.

San Francisco, May 5th, 1868.

During the reading of the report, the order of adjournment was discharged till the completion of the report.

At twenty minutes to one o'clock, P. M., the Grand Lodge took a recess until two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 2 o'clock, P. M.

Rep. Gates, of No. 17, moved to refer the Grand Master's report to a Special Committee of five, to distribute the subjects contained therein.

The motion was adopted, and the Grand Master appointed the following Committee :

Rep. GATES, of No. 17,
Rep. GARWOOD, of No. 17,
Rep. TILDEN, of No. 124,
Rep. CAROTHERS, of No. 117,
Rep. WHITE, of No. 3.

The Grand Secretary presented his Annual Report, as follows :

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY, }
San Francisco, May 5th, 1868. }

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

I submit to your consideration my report for the year ending this date.

Resolutions of Instruction, as they appear on pages 356, 361, and 362, of Journal of 1867, have severally been attended to.

The first resolution required me to procure a portrait of our M. W. Grand Master, Charles N. Fox. This pleasant duty was performed shortly after the close of the session.

The second resolution, instructing me to forward certain resolutions of thanks to the several steamboat and railroad companies, has been fully complied with. I have also forwarded a copy of the printed Journal to each of the parties named in said resolution.

The third resolution, instructing me to furnish each Lodge in the jurisdiction with a copy of the second volume of the Proceedings, was carried out, and the Journals forwarded by express.

It having been the custom, for a number of years past, to have the Journal of Daily Proceedings printed, I have taken the responsibility, without any other authority than usage, to contract for the printing of the usual number of copies of the daily Journal, and 2,000 copies of the revised Journal.

I have been induced to this action from the urgencies of the case, as by an oversight, I presume, of this Grand Lodge, at its last session, no instructions were given.

The contract has been awarded to Joseph Winterburn & Co., and let at \$5.75 per page, he being the lowest bidder.

I trust that my acts will meet with your approval.

In connection with this subject, I would call your attention to the great need of publishing another volume of the Journal. The Journals up to, and including this session, will make a volume of about 575 pages, which, for all practical purposes, is sufficiently large; and in case such a measure is adopted,

I would suggest *the propriety* of carrying into effect a resolution as submitted by Rep. Pidwell at last session (page 356 of Journal), or a similar one.

The object of the resolution was to print the names of all members in good standing, arranged according to rank.

I am satisfied that the advantages would greatly exceed any other consideration.

Since the last session, a commission that has been in the possession of this officer for several years, emanating from the M. W. Grand Sire of the Grand Lodge of the United States, has been issued to P. G. Representative A. D. Meacham, a member of the Grand Lodge, to proceed to Melbourne, Australia, and establish there the Independent Order of Odd Fellows.

To fulfill this mission properly and with effect, it was necessary that he should be supplied with books, blanks, etc.

After receiving the consent of the M. W. Grand Master, I furnished him all the necessary books, cards, and other blanks.

I communicated to the Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States my action in the premises, and he has highly approved it, as well as returned to this office all supplies furnished that were in his possession.

As to other supplies, such as the Journals of this Grand Body, and a full set of blanks, I have concluded to await your action, previous to making any charge on the books against the Grand Lodge of Australia.

I have also, at the request of the Grand Secretary, James S. Ridgley, furnished a full set of books for a Lodge to be organized at Prescott, Arizona.

Grand Secretary Ridgley informs me that he will, at the first opportunity, make the proper return.

On the solicitation of the Grand Lodge of Nevada, conveyed to me by the Grand Secretary, R. H. Taylor, and by consent of the M. W. Grand Master of this jurisdiction, I have furnished fifty blank charters to said Grand Lodge, such as are in use in this jurisdiction, making changes necessary to suit their wants.

The cost of printing was \$50, which has been paid; and the matter is left in your hands as to the price to be paid for the use of the engraving.

The subject on page 352, Journal of 1867, relative to collecting and forwarding donations to the R. W. Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of the United States, for the benefit of our suffering brethren in the South, has been favorably responded to.

I have received from Lodges—

In gold coin	\$2,492 00
In currency	331 93
Premium on gold	772 22
In addition, from the Grand Encampment of this State, the sum of	517 50
Making a total amount of	<u>\$4,113 65</u>

The schedule of which is hereto annexed.

I have received several interesting communications from P. D. Grand Sire Alex. V. Frazer, who, many will remember, was the first Deputy appointed by the Grand Lodge of the United States for California, and to whom was intrusted, with plenipotentiary powers, the duty of organizing the Order on this Coast. Brother Frazer was here several years, and from the tenor of his correspondence we can understand he is, as he always has been, a true and worthy brother.

I have received the flag mentioned in his letter of the 28th of May, and present it to you, together with the correspondence.

I would report the number of Lodges at this date as.....	138
Number of Members, Dec. 31, 1867.....	9,625
“ “ Past Grands “.....	1,539
“ Initiated during the year.....	1,753
“ Admitted by Card as A. O. F. and Non-Affiliates.....	544
“ Withdrawn.....	490
“ Reinstated.....	144
“ Ceased Membership.....	275
“ Suspended.....	7
“ Expelled.....	23
“ Rejected.....	205
“ Deceased.....	83
“ Resigned.....	1
Amount of receipts of Lodges for year ending Dec. 31, 1867.....	\$222,219 46
“ in Treasuries of Lodges, June 30, 1867.....	62,478 35
“ Invested, to June 30, 1867.....	375,434 63
“ Expended for Relief, to June 30, 1867.....	55,512 48

AMOUNTS DUE FROM SUBORDINATE LODGES.

Solano Lodge, No. 22.....	\$ 60
Sonoma Lodge, No. 28.....	11 25
San Pablo Lodge, No. 43.....	27 95
Table Rock Lodge, No. 49.....	11 25
San Andreas Lodge, No. 50.....	65
Mountain Brow Lodge, No. 82.....	11 60
Vacaville Lodge, No. 83.....	1 20
Chico Lodge, No. 113.....	1 20
Sycamore Lodge, No. 129.....	65
Clear Lake Lodge, No. 130.....	6 00
Progressive Lodge, No. 134.....	3 00
Indian Valley Lodge, No. 136.....	6 00
Bohen Lodge, No. 138.....	6 00
Carson Lodge, No. 4, Nevada.....	11 50
Grand Lodge of Oregon.....	6 00
	<u>\$04 85</u>

AMOUNTS DUE TO SUBORDINATE LODGES, MAY 1, 1868.

California Lodge, No. 1.....	\$ 40
Sacramento Lodge, No. 2.....	1 40
Diamond Springs Lodge, No. 9.....	2 40
Oustomah Lodge, No. 16.....	25 00
Napa Lodge, No. 18.....	8 10
Mountain Rose Lodge, No. 26.....	22 50
Sutter Creek Lodge, No. 31.....	10 00
San Jose Lodge, No. 34.....	70
Los Angeles Lodge, No. 35.....	18 70
Placer Lodge, No. 38.....	2 45
Cosumnes Lodge, No. 63.....	15 60
Big Tree Lodge, No. 68.....	4 20
Mount Shasta Lodge, No. 70.....	5 60
Crusade Lodge, No. 93.....	10 60
Sutter Lodge, No. 100.....	11 30
Mission Peak Lodge, No. 114.....	2 40
Excelsior Lodge, No. 1, S. L.,.....	21 40

 \$162 75

STOCK ACCOUNT.

Amount of Stock on hand, May 1st, 1867.....\$4,553 30

Purchased during the year:

75 Installation Books.....	150 00
25 Charge Books.....	75 00
50 Charge Books.....	100 00
20 Degree Books.....	60 00
20 Degree Books.....	40 00
10 Rebekah Books.....	20 00
15 Rebekah Books.....	30 00
2,000 Cards.....	400 00
1 Grand Lodge Journal.....	3 00

 \$5,431 30

DISTRIBUTED AND SOLD.

82 Charge Books.....	\$210 00
32 Degree Books.....	96 00
20 Rebekah Books.....	40 00
5 Public Institution Books.....	5 00
9 Secretary's Books.....	19 80
70 Institution Books.....	134 75
12 Digest G. L. U. S.....	18 00
17 Digest G. L. California.....	38 25
229 Journals G. L. California.....	687 00
596 Lodge Odes.....	59 60
1,062 Cards.....	212 40
290 Diplomas.....	145 00
27 Journals Grand Lodge U. S.....	91 75

 \$1,757 55

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STOCK ON HAND, MAY 1ST, 1868.

14 Charge Books.....	\$ 31 00
34 Degree Books.....	82 00
10 Rebekah Books.....	20 00
17 Secretary's Books.....	37 40
22 Institution Books.....	44 00
116 Digests Grand Lodge U. S.....	174 00
331 Digests Grand Lodge California.....	1,644 75
142 Journals Grand Lodge California.....	426 00
80 Small Digests.....	88 00
1,230 Odes.....	123 00
3,116 Cards.....	684 35
94 Vols. Journals Grand Lodge U. S.....	319 25
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	\$3,673 75

DONATIONS RECEIVED FOR SAMARITAN LODGE, NO. 126.

From Lodge No. 1, \$20; No. 2, \$25; No. 3, \$15; No. 5, \$10; No. 7, 10; No. 10, \$10; No. 12, \$20; No. 13, \$10; No. 14, \$15; No. 15, \$25; No. 16, \$25; No. 18, \$10; No. 19, \$5; No. 25, \$10; No. 29, \$10; No. 31, \$9.50; No. 32, \$20; No. 35, \$5; No. 36, \$10; No. 37, \$10; No. 44, \$20; No. 45, \$10; No. 47, \$5; No. 48, \$20; No. 49, \$10 Currency; No. 52, \$5; No. 54, \$10; No. 55, \$10; No. 58, \$5; No. 59, \$5; No. 61, \$10; No. 62, \$10; No. 67, \$10; No. 71, \$10; No. 73, \$5; No. 75, \$10; No. 76, \$5; No. 78, \$5; No. 80, \$10; No. 81, \$10; No. 83, \$5; No. 85, \$10; No. 87, \$15; No. 88, \$18.50; No. 90, \$5; No. 92, \$5; No. 94, \$7, Currency; No. 97, \$5; No. 98, \$5; No. 101, \$10; No. 106, \$5; No. 107, \$10; No. 109, \$10; No. 110, \$5; No. 111, \$10; No. 112, \$15; No. 113, \$10; No. 116, \$10; No. 121, \$5; No. 122, \$10; No. 123, \$20; No. 124, \$20; No. 127, \$5; No. 128, \$5; No. 130, \$10; No. 131, \$13.25; No. 1, Vancouver's Isle, \$5.

Total—Gold Coin, \$696.25; Currency, \$17.00.

T. Rodgers Johnson, Grand Secretary, in account with the Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., State of California.

ASSESSMENTS.

1867.			
July	3—To Cash received from California	Lodge, No. 1...	\$178 75
"	9 " " " Sacramento	" 2....	119 60
"	6 " " " San Francisco	" 3....	128 05
"	9 " " " Eureka	" 4....	71 50
"	16 " " " Yuba	" 5....	94 25
"	8 " " " Charity	" 6....	95 60
"	24 " " " Auburn	" 7....	31 85
"	9 " " " El Dorado	" 8....	84 50
"	13 " " " Diamond Springs	" 9....	19 50
"	12 " " " Sonora	" 10....	60 45
"	8 " " " Stockton	" 11....	61 75
"	16 " " " Grass Valley	" 12....	55 90
"	4 " " " Harmony	" 13....	198 25
"	17 " " " Mountain	" 14....	22 75
"	11 " " " Yerba Buena	" 15....	286 65
"	16 " " " Oustomah	" 16....	50 05
	Amount carried forward.....		<hr/>
			\$1,559 40

1867.		<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$1,559 40
July	4	To Cash received from Templar	17.... 226 85
"	4	" Napa	18.... —
"	16	" Yreka	19.... 44 85
"	13	" Morning Star	20.... 63 70
"	12	" Tuolumne	21.... 34 45
"	30	" Solano	22.... 9 75
"	16	" Sierra	24.... 41 60
"	17	" Volcano	25.... 45 50
"	13	" Coloma	27.... 22 10
"	13	" Sonoma	28.... —
"	3	" Magnolia	29.... 108 55
"	3	" Petaluma	30.... 39 65
"	17	" Sutter Creek	31.... 48 75
"	16	" Forest City	32.... 27 30
"	16	" Hope	33.... 14 95
"	15	" San Jose	34.... 37 70
"	10	" Los Angeles	35.... 39 65
"	17	" Jackson	36.... 42 25
"	13	" Memento	37.... 26 00
"	17	" Placer	38.... 21 45
Aug.	7	" Mariposa	39.... 40 40
July	17	" Washington	40.... 14 30
Aug.	20	" Klamath	41.... 14 30
"	20	" San Pablo	43.... —
"	17	" Mokelumne	44.... 55 25
"	16	" Oriental	45.... 107 90
"	16	" Brooklyn	46.... 44 20
"	22	" Bidwell	47.... 42 25
"	26	" Union	48.... 21 00
"	19	" Table Rock	49.... 32 50
"	17	" San Andreas	50.... 39 00
"	17	" Ione	51.... 18 20
"	15	" Santa Clara	52.... 37 70
"	15	" Santa Rosa	53.... 26 00
"	16	" Mistletoe	54.... 18 85
"	17	" Minerva	55.... 16 90
"	13	" Polar Star	56.... 23 40
"	6	" Shasta	57.... 42 25
"	12	" Mount Horeb	58.... 28 60
"	22	" Oroville	59.... 44 85
"	16	" North Star	61.... 37 05
"	16	" Granite	62.... 41 60
"	13	" Cosumnes	63.... 18 20
"	13	" Healdsburg	64.... 19 50
Oct.	3	" Lafayette	65.... 15 60
July	17	" Campo Seco	66.... 19 50
"	16	" San Juan	67.... 69 55
"	16	" Big Tree	68.... 11 05
"	16	" Mount Shasta	70.... 34 45
"	3	" Bay City	71.... 107 90
"	17	" Covenant	73.... 33 80
Aug.	20	" Franklin	74.... 29 25
July	11	" French Gulch	75.... 16 25
"	19	" Red Bluff	76.... 26 65
<i>Amount carried forward</i>			\$3,602 65

1867.		<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$3,602 65
July	23	To Cash received from Humboldt	Lodge, No. 77	31 25
"	11	" " Suisun	" 78	36 40
"	17	" " Telegraph	" 79	20 15
"	19	" " Alturas	" 80	39 65
"	11	" " Olive	" 81	35 10
"	12	" " Mountain Brow	" 82	22 65
"	11	" " Vataville	" 83	31 20
"	16	" " Comet	" 84	9 75
"	16	" " Anniversary	" 85	32 50
"	16	" " Sharon	" 86	12 35
"	9	" " Capitol	" 87	96 85
"	13	" " Morning Star	" 89	15 00
"	15	" " Pajaro	" 90	27 30
"	19	" " Pilot Peak	" 91	16 25
"	22	" " Cherokee	" 92	12 35
"	23	" " Crusade	" 93	22 10
"	4	" " Four Creeks	" 94	25 35
"	15	" " Branciforte	" 96	57 20
"	12	" " Yosemite	" 97	13 00
"	22	" " Jefferson	" 98	25 35
Aug.	7	" " Hornitas	" 99	20 15
July	19	" " Sutter	" 100	16 25
"	16	" " Marion	" 101	15 60
"	22	" " Scio	" 102	30 55
Aug.	7	" " Coulterville	" 104	25 35
July	13	" " Schiller	" 105	81 90
"	16	" " Mineral	" 106	33 15
"	24	" " Valley	" 107	29 25
"	17	" " American	" 108	11 70
"	15	" " Bay View	" 109	44 85
Aug.	7	" " Oso	" 110	37 05
July	16	" " Woodland	" 111	27 95
"	11	" " Abou Ben Adhem	" 112	91 65
"	22	" " Chico	" 113	39 00
"	23	" " Mission Peak	" 114	19 50
"	16	" " Fort Jones	" 115	27 30
"	4	" " Germania	" 116	132 60
"	30	" " Pacheco	" 117	28 60
"	3	" " Oakland	" 118	35 75
Jan.	14	" " Webster	" 119	44 50
July	17	" " Bald Mountain	" 120	11 05
Oct.	3	" " Willow	" 121	26 65
July	3	" " Concordia	" 122	92 95
"	6	" " Apollo	" 123	98 80
"	3	" " Parker	" 124	65 00
"	26	" " Meadow Lake	" 125	15 60
"	26	" " Samaritan	" 126	12 35
"	19	" " Summit	" 127	17 55
"	30	" " Mt. Diablo	" 128	19 50
"	3	" " Sycamore	" 129	26 00
"	17	" " Clear Lake	" 130	27 30
"	—	" " Unity	" 131	—
Sept.	6	" " Excelsior, S. I.	" 1	42 75

Total amount of Cash received for assessments.....\$5,432 55

1867.		CHARTER FEES.			
May 11	To Cash received from	Progressive	Lodge, No. 134	...	\$30 00
June 19	"	Silver Star	" 135	...	30 00
" 20	"	Indian Valley	" 136	...	30 00
" 10	"	Soquel	" 137	...	30 00
" 22	"	Bohen	" 138	...	30 00
Aug. 20	"	Gold Run	" 139	...	30 00
July 30	"	Mountain Vale	" 140	...	30 00
Dec. 14	"	Millville	" 141	...	30 00
1868.					
Mar. 10	"	Golden City	" 142	...	30 00
April 14	"	Ocean View	" 143	...	30 00
					\$300 00

1867.		SUPPLIES.	
Total amount received		\$768 60

REPRESENTATIVE TAX DUE FROM LODGES.

From Templar	Lodge, No. 17	.....	\$ 3 00
" Klamath	" 41	.....	12 00
" Cosumnes	" 63	.....	3 00
" Marion	" 101	.....	12 00
" Mt. Diablo	" 128	.....	26 50
" Plumas	" 88	.....	3 00
			\$59 50

AMOUNT OF TAX OVERPAID BY LODGES.

Sonora	Lodge, No. 10	.....	\$ 1 50
Chico	" 113	.....	1 00
Meadow Lake	" 125	.....	1 80
Indian Valley	" 136	.....	3 00
Healdsburg	" 64	.....	50
Excelsior	" 1 S. I.	.....	44 00
			\$51 80

REPRESENTATIVE FUND.

1868.					
Jan. 6	To Cash received from	California	Lodge, No. 1	...	143 50
" 17	"	Sacramento	" 2	...	99 50
" 3	"	San Francisco	" 3	...	112 00
" 4	"	Eureka	" 4	...	59 50
" 4	"	Yuba	" 5	...	71 50
" 6	"	Charity	" 6	...	77 50
" 15	"	Auburn	" 7	...	24 00
" 17	"	El Dorado	" 8	...	64 00
" 16	"	Diamond Springs	" 9	...	13 00
" 17	"	Sonora	" 10	...	46 50
" 6	"	Stockton	" 11	...	55 00
" 7	"	Grass Valley	" 12	...	44 50
" 10	"	Harmony	" 13	...	156 50
" 17	"	Mountain	" 14	...	18 00
Jan. 2	"	Yerba Buena	" 15	...	233 50
Amount carried forward					\$1,218 50

1868.	Amount brought forward.....		\$1,218 50
Jan. 14	To Cash received from Oustomah	Lodge, No. 16....	40 50
" 9	" " " Templar	" 17....	191 50
" 17	" " " Napa	" 18....	22 00
" 30	" " " Yreka	" 19....	34 00
" 16	" " " Morning Star	" 20....	54 50
" 17	" " " Tuolumne	" 21....	28 50
Feb. 20	" " " Solano	" 22....	7 00
Jan. 24	" " " Sierra	" 24....	34 50
" 17	" " " Volcano	" 25....	36 00
" 16	" " " Coloma	" 27....	15 00
" 17	" " " Sonoma	" 28....	11 00
" 8	" " " Magnolia	" 29....	92 50
Jan. 28	" " " Petaluma	" 30....	36 00
" 17	" " " Sutter Creek	" 31....	37 50
Feb. 19	" " " Forest City	" 32....	21 50
Jan. 16	" " " Hope	" 33....	12 00
" 9	" " " San Jose	" 34....	32 00
" 13	" " " Los Angeles	" 35....	32 00
" 17	" " " Jackson	" 36....	31 00
" 16	" " " Memento	" 37....	18 50
" 17	" " " Placer	" 38....	13 50
Feb. 10	" " " Mariposa	" 39....	43 50
Jan. 17	" " " Washington	" 40....	10 00
" 17	" " " Klamath	" 41....	—
Feb. 5	" " " San Pablo	" 43....	23 50
Jan. 18	" " " Mokelumne	" 44....	43 50
" 14	" " " Oriental	" 45....	87 00
" 15	" " " Brooklyn	" 46....	35 00
" 30	" " " Bidwell	" 47....	34 00
" 18	" " " Union	" 48....	18 50
" 29	" " " Table Rock	" 49....	23 00
" 18	" " " San Andreas	" 50....	27 50
" 17	" " " Ione	" 51....	14 00
" 9	" " " Santa Clara	" 52....	31 00
" 28	" " " Santa Rosa	" 53....	22 50
Feb. 24	" " " Mistletoe	" 54....	14 50
Jan. 17	" " " Minerva	" 55....	15 50
" 16	" " " Polar Star	" 56....	17 00
" 17	" " " Shasta	" 57....	32 00
" 17	" " " Mount Horeb	" 58....	22 50
" 30	" " " Oroville	" 59....	34 50
" 13	" " " North Star	" 61....	29 00
" 17	" " " Granite	" 62....	34 00
" 16	" " " Cosumnes	" 63....	12 50
" 28	" " " Healdsburg	" 64....	17 50
" 17	" " " Lafayette	" 65....	12 00
" 18	" " " Campo Seco	" 66....	15 00
" 29	" " " San Juan	" 67....	53 50
" 16	" " " Big Tree	" 68....	8 00
" 30	" " " Mount Shasta	" 70....	26 50
" 6	" " " Bay City	" 71....	85 00
" 17	" " " Covenant	" 73....	26 00
" 10	" " " Franklin	" 74....	22 50
" 17	" " " French Gulch	" 75....	12 00

Amount carried forward..... \$2,922 00

1868.	Amount brought forward.....		\$2,922 00
Jan. 17	To Cash received from Red Bluff	Lodge, No. 76	22 50
" 29	" " Humboldt	" 77	27 00
" 29	" " Suisun	" 78	28 00
" 17	" " Telegraph	" 79	15 50
" 29	" " Alturas	" 80	29 00
" 15	" " Olive	" 81	29 00
" 17	" " Mountain Brow	" 82	18 50
Feb. 5	" " Vacaville	" 83	25 50
Jan. 24	" " Comet	" 84	8 50
" 29	" " Anniversary	" 85	27 50
" 16	" " Sharon	" 86	9 50
" 17	" " Capitol	" 87	76 00
Feb. 15	" " Plumas	" 88	14 00
Jan. 16	" " Morning Light	" 89	12 50
" 22	" " Pajaro	" 90	23 50
" 29	" " Pilot Peak	" 91	11 50
" 30	" " Cherokee	" 92	8 50
Jan. 13	" " Crusade	" 93	18 00
Feb. 6	" " Four Creeks	" 94	19 50
Jan. 22	" " Branciforte	" 96	48 00
" 17	" " Yosemite	" 97	11 50
" 18	" " Jefferson	" 98	21 50
Feb. 10	" " Hornitas	" 99	15 00
" 6	" " Sutter	" 100	12 50
" 6	" " Marion	" 101	—
Jan. 29	" " Seio	" 102	23 00
Feb. 10	" " Coulterville	" 104	17 50
Jan. 10	" " Schiller	" 105	63 00
" 16	" " Mineral	" 106	24 50
" 15	" " Valley	" 107	20 50
" 17	" " American	" 108	8 50
" 9	" " Bay View	" 109	35 00
Feb. 10	" " Oso	" 110	26 00
" 17	" " Woodland	" 111	22 50
Jan. 2	" " Abou Ben Adhem	" 112	86 00
" 30	" " Chico	" 113	35 00
Feb. 15	" " Mission Peak	" 114	15 50
Jan. 30	" " Fort Jones	" 115	21 00
" 10	" " Germania	" 116	105 50
Feb. 12	" " Pacheco	" 117	23 00
Jan. 10	" " Oakland	" 118	33 00
" 14	" " Webster	" 119	27 00
" 17	" " Bald Mountain	" 120	8 50
" 17	" " Willow	" 121	23 00
" 15	" " Concordia	" 122	86 00
" 3	" " Apollo	" 123	85 50
" 8	" " Parker	" 124	68 50
Feb. 6	" " Meadow Lake	" 125	14 30
Jan. 18	" " Samaritan	" 126	8 50
" 29	" " Summit	" 127	16 00
" 29	" " Mount Diablo	" 128	—
Jan. 14	" " Sycamore	" 129	25 50
" 15	" " Clear Lake	" 130	22 50
" 14	" " Unity	" 131	15 50
	Amount carried forward.....		\$4,414 80

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1868.	<i>Amount brought forward</i> ,				\$4,414 80
Jan. 15	To Cash received from Colfax	Lodge, No. 132		6 00
" 8	" " " Colusa	" " 133	....		21 50
" 19	" " " Progressive	" " 134	....		13 00
" 16	" " " Silver Star	" " 135	....		7 50
Feb. 15	" " " Indian Valley	" " 136	....		17 00
Jan. 22	" " " Soquel	" " 137	....		10 50
" 24	" " " Bohem	" " 138	....		14 00
" 15	" " " Gold Run	" " 139	....		8 00
Feb. 12	" " " Mountain Vale	" " 140	....		7 50
" 20	" " " Excelsior	" " 1 S. I.			63 00
Jan. 13	" " " Victoria	" " 1 V. I.			42 00
Total,					\$4,624 80

CASH RECEIVED FOR THE PARKER MONUMENT FUND, FROM MAY, 1867, TO MAY, 1868.

1867.	May 25—From Members of Shasta		Lodge, No. 57	.....	\$ 20 75
July 6	" " Harmony	" " 13	.....		100 00
" 6	" " Walhalla	Encamp. " 7	.....		25 00
" 26	" " Yuba	Lodge, " 5	.....		10 00
Nov. 20	" " Templar	" " 17	.....		1,000 00
" 32	" " Yerba Buena	" " 15	.....		500 00
Dec. 14	" " Templar	" " 17	.....		250 00
1868.	Jan. 11 " Golden Gate		Encamp. " 1	.....	500 00
" 14	" " San Jose	Lodge, " 34	.....		30 00
" 18	" " Lafayette	" " 65	.....		10 00
Feb. 5	" " D.E. Knight, of Oriental	" " 45	.....		10 00
" 8	" " Marion	" " 101	.....		4 00
" 10	" " Anniversary	" " 85	.....		25 00
" 12	" " San Jose	" " 34	.....		10 00
" 17	" " Abou Ben Adhem	" " 112	.....		50 00
" 19	" " Napa	" " 18	.....		23 00
" 19	" " Hope	" " 33	.....		15 00
" 24	" " Bay City	" " 71	.....		200 00
Mar. 5	" " Membs. of Yerba Buena	" " 15	.....		213 50
" 18	" " Bay View	" " 109	.....		50 00
" 18	" " San Francisco	" " 3	.....		200 00
Total,					\$3,246 25

BALANCES DUE FROM LODGES AND MEMBERS TO PARKER MONUMENT FUND.

From Members of Brooklyn	Lodge, No. 46	.....	\$ 19 00
" " Vacaville	" " 53	.....	15 00
" " Mt. Horeb	" " 58	.....	2 50
" " and Big Tree	" " 68	.....	19 00
" " Alturas	" " 80	.....	2 50
" " Comet	" " 84	.....	50 00
" " and Anniversary	" " 85	.....	2 50
" " Sharon	" " 86	.....	16 50
" " Pilot Peak	" " 91	.....	6 50
" " Branciforte	" " 96	.....	4 00
" " Bay View	" " 109	.....	50 00
" " Abou Ben Adhem	" " 112	.....	100 00
Total,			\$287 50

DONATIONS TO SOUTHERN RELIEF FUND.

Lodge.	Number.	Amount.	Lodge.	Number.	Amount.
California	1	\$369 00	Willow	121	20 00
Yreka	19	25 00	Los Angeles	35	25 00
Forest City	32	30 00	Memento	37	15 00
Table Rock	49	20 00	Placer	38	37 50
Santa Clara	52	20 00	Klamath	41	25 00
Minerva	55	13 33	Mokelumne	44	25 00
Granite	62	10 00	Brooklyn	46	50 00
Santa Rosa	53	25 00	Bidwell	47	20 00
San Juan	67	44 60	Union	48	10 00
Mount Shasta	70	25 00	San Andreas	50	20 00
Germania	116	50 00	Ione	51	10 00
Victoria	1	10 00	Mistletoe	54	10 00
			Polar Star	56	10 00
Total received in currency		\$331 93	Mount Horeb	58	10 00
			Oroville	59	15 00
Sacramento	2	50 00	North Star	61	30 00
San Francisco	3	25 00	Cosumnes	63	5 00
Eureka	4	10 00	Big Tree	68	5 00
Yuba	5	25 00	Bay City	71	75 00
Auburn	7	25 00	Covenant	73	35 00
Sonora	10	100 00	Franklin	74	25 00
Stockton	11	25 00	French Gulch	75	10 00
Grass Valley	12	25 00	Suisun	78	25 00
Harmony	13	50 00	Telegraph	79	10 00
Mountain	14	20 00	Alturas	80	20 00
Yerba Buena	15	50 00	Olive	81	100 00
Yerba Buena	15	200 00	Vacaville	83	20 00
Templar	17	250 00	Anniversary	85	20 00
Napa	18	25 00	Capitol	87	25 00
Morning Star	20	50 00	Plumas	88	20 00
Taolumne	21	15 00	Pajaro	90	10 00
Sierra	24	40 00	Pilot Peak	91	5 00
Volcano	25	25 00	Cherokee	92	10 00
Sonoma	28	10 50	Four Creeks	94	25 00
Magnolia	29	15 00	Branciforte	96	10 00
Petaluma	30	25 00	Yosemite	97	25 00
San Jose	34	20 00	Hornitas	99	20 00
Marion	101	15 00	Concordia	122	10 00
Mineral	106	10 00	Apollo	123	25 00
Valley	107	10 00	Apollo	123	50 00
American	108	10 00	Parker	124	75 00
Oso	110	31 50	Meadow Lake	125	20 00
Woodland	111	34 00	Mount Diablo	128	25 00
Abou Ben Adhem	112	25 00	Clear Lake	130	50 00
Chico	113	58 50	Colusa	133	50 00
Oakland	118	10 00	Excelsior, S. I.	1	50 00
Webster	119	10 00			
Total, gold coin					\$2,492 00
“ currency					331 93
“ premiums					772 22
Total					\$3,696 15
Donation from the R. W. G. Encampment of California					517 50
Total					\$4,113 65

CONTRA.

1867.			
August 9—	By Cash	Currency.....	\$ 293 60
“	“	Gold.....	1,529 00
“	“	Premium.....	357 10
October 21—	By Cash	Telegraphic Exchange.....	920 00
“	“	Premium.....	402 36
1868.			
April 30—	By Cash	Gold.....	18 00
“	“	Premium.....	5 22
“	“	Currency.....	38 33
Donation from the Grand Encampment.....			517 50
Total,.....			\$4,081 11

Respectfully submitted,

T. RODGERS JOHNSON,
Grand Secretary.

The Grand Treasurer presented his Annual Report, as follows :

REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND TREASURER.

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

Herewith I present to you my second annual report for the “Parker Monument Fund,” with a statement of the receipts and disbursements from May 13th, 1867, to May 1st, 1868:

	DR.	
To Balance on hand, as per last report.....		\$3,391 25
“ Cash received from T. R. Johnson, as per schedule annexed.....		3,246 25
		<hr/> \$6,637 50
	CR.	
By amount paid, as per vouchers.....		\$6,185 09
Leaving a balance in my hands of.....		<hr/> \$ 452 41

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN HELLER,
Treasurer.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1, 1868.

PARKER MONUMENT FUND.

SCHEDULE.

	DR.		
1867.			
May 13—	To balance	Cash on hand.....	\$3,391 25
Nov. 22	“	Cash received of T. R. Johnson.....	1,035 00
Dec. 20	“	“.....	500 00
1868.			
Jan. 17	“	“.....	600 00
Feb. 5	“	“.....	300 00
Feb. 20	“	“.....	200 00
April 30	“	“.....	611 25
			<hr/> \$6,637 50

		CR.	
1867.	Aug. 5	By Cash to James Henderson	\$ 500 00
	Aug. 31	"	250 00
	Sep. 21	"	250 00
	Oct. 4	"	250 00
	Oct. 12	"	200 00
	Oct. 25	"	550 00
	Nov. 18	"	300 00
	Nov. 29	"	700 00
	Dec. 16	"	500 00
	Dec. 20	" for carriages	20 00
	Dec. 26	" Blythe & Wetherbee	15 09
1868.			
	Jan. 7	" James Henderson	500 00
	Feb. 1	"	1,500 00
	Feb. 15	"	300 00
	Feb. 27	"	200 00
	April 30	"	150 00
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Balance cash on hand			\$6,185 09
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			452 41
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			\$6,637 50

Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN HELLER,

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1, 1868.

Treasurer.

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

Herewith I present to you my annual report, with a statement of the receipts and disbursements, from May 13th, 1867, to May 1st, 1868.

GENERAL FUND.

DR.

To Balance on hand, as per last report	\$ 226 77
" Cash received of T. R. Johnson, Grand Secretary, as per schedule annexed	6,501 15
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	\$6,727 92

CR.

By amount paid as per vouchers 641 and 670	\$6,521 55
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Leaving a balance in my hands of	\$ 206 37

REPRESENTATIVE FUND.

DR.

To Cash received of T. R. Johnson, Grand Secretary, as per schedule annexed	\$4,624 80
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CR.

No disbursements, leaving balance in my hands of	\$4,624 80
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Respectfully submitted,

MARTIN HELLER,

Grand Treasurer.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1st, 1868.

GENERAL FUND.

SCHEDULE.

1867.		DR.		
May 13	To	balance Cash on hand	.....	\$226 77
May 13	"	Cash received of T. R. Johnson	.....	30 00
June 17	"	"	"	40 00
July 3	"	"	"	614 90
July 5	"	"	"	1,225 00
July 9	"	"	"	836 65
July 18	"	"	"	2,100 00
Aug. 9	"	"	"	725 00
1868.				
Jan. 10	"	"	"	100 00
Mar. 31	"	"	"	600 00
April 30	"	"	"	229 60

\$6,727 92

1867.		CR.		
May 17	By	Cash, John S. Reed, Order	643.....	\$57 50
May 27	"	Union Ins. Co.,	" 642.....	36 80
May 29	"	C. O. Burton,	" 641.....	50 00
May 29	"	Inc. Expenses,	" 644.....	100 00
July 1	"	J. Winterburn & Co.	" 645.....	700 00
July 15	"	D. Hicks & Co.,	" 648.....	95 50
July 18	"	Chas. N. Fox,	" 649.....	300 00
July 29	"	Bradley & Rulofson	" 647.....	35 00
July 29	"	J. Winterburn & Co.	" 650.....	133 00
Aug. 5	"	Chas. N. Fox,	" 654.....	200 00
Aug. 7	"	J. Winterburn, & Co.	" 653.....	203 00
Aug. 8	"	T. R. Johnson,	" 651.....	625 00
Aug. 8	"	Inc. Expenses,	" 652.....	100 00
Aug. 17	"	D. Hicks & Co.,	" 655.....	64 75
Aug. 9	"	Grand Lodge U. S.,	" 646.....	725 00
Oct. 8	"	New Age,	" 656.....	45 00
Oct. 15	"	George H. Baker,	" 657.....	50 00
Nov. 1	"	T. R. Johnson,	" 659.....	625 00
Nov. 18	"	D. Hicks & Co.,	" 660.....	29 25
Nov. 18	"	J. Winterburn & Co.	" 661.....	193 00
Nov. 22	"	Inc. Expenses,	" 658.....	100 00
Dec. 16	"	H.H. Bancroft & Co.	" 662.....	53 00
Dec. 24	"	Freund & Co.,	" 663.....	19 00
1868.				
Jan. 10	"	Charles N. Fox,	" 664.....	100 00
Feb. 3	"	T. R. Johnson,	" 665.....	625 00
Mar. 20	"	D. Hicks & Co.,	" 666.....	40 75
Mar. 27	"	J. Winterburn & Co.	" 667.....	254 00
April 30	"	Inc. Expenses,	" 668.....	237 00
April 30	"	T. R. Johnson,	" 669.....	625 00
May 1	"	Charles N. Fox,	" 670.....	100 00

\$6,521 55

Leaving a balance in my hands of..... 206 37

\$6,727 92

Respectfully submitted.

MARTIN HELLER,

Grand Treasurer.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1st, 1868.

REPRESENTATIVE FUND.

		SCHEDULE.		
1868.		DR.		
Jan. 17—	To Cash received of T. R. Johnson.....			\$2,509 00
Feb. 5	“ “ “ “			375 00
Feb. 17	“ “ “ “			337 75
Mar. 31	“ “ “ “			1,393 00
Apr. 30	“ “ “ “			19 05
				\$4,624 80
1868.		CR.		
No Disbursements.....				
Balance Cash on hand.....				\$4,624 80

Respectfully submitted.

MARTIN HELLER,

Grand Treasurer.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 1st, 1868.

REPORT OF THE R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. of O. F.,
of the State of California :*

The undersigned, your Representatives to the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, at its last annual communication, would respectfully present this, our report of the transactions of that R. W. Grand Body.

The Grand Lodge of the United States held its annual session for 1867, in the City of New York, at Irving Hall.

On the morning of the 16th of September, the Committee of Arrangements and Reception, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of New York, met the Representatives at the Everett House, where most of them were domiciled; and escorted them thence to Irving Hall, where they were received by members of the Grand Lodge of New York, headed by Grand Master Gould, who welcomed them in an eloquent address, which was appropriately responded to by Grand Sire Saunders, on behalf of the Grand Lodge of the U. S. Copies of these addresses, may be found in the revised journal of proceedings.

This being the first session of the Grand Lodge of the United States ever held in the City of New York, the Brethren of that jurisdiction had made the most ample arrangements to receive and entertain the members, in a manner and style befitting the great metropolis of the United States.

Invitations were received through the Committee of arrangements from the Commissioners of the "Central Park," to visit those magnificent and world-renowned pleasure grounds; also from the Hebrew Benevolent and Orphan Asylum of the city of New York, the New York Institute for the Deaf and Dumb, the New York Juvenile Asylum at High Bridge, Randall's and Blackwell's Islands, where we visited the Lunatic Asylum, Work House, Alms House,

Foundling Hospital, Childs' Hospital, and other places of interest, where we were cordially received and highly entertained.

The Grand Lodge of the United States, was formally opened for business, on Monday, September 16th, at 9 o'clock, A. M., the following officers being present :

JAMES P. SAUNDERS.....	<i>M. W. Grand Sire.</i>
EDW. D. FARNSWORTH.....	<i>R. W. Deputy Grand Sire.</i>
JAMES L. RIDGELY.....	<i>R. W. Grand Cor. and Rec. Secy.</i>
JOSHUA VANZANT.....	<i>R. W. Grand Treas.</i>
REV. I. D. WILLIAMSON.....	<i>R. W. Grand Chaplain.</i>
JOHN S. HESS.....	<i>R. W. Grand Marshal.</i>
JOHN P. FOSS.....	<i>R. W. Grand Guardian.</i>
JOHN E. CHAMBERLIN.....	<i>R. W. Grand Messenger.</i>

Representatives were in attendance from every subordinate jurisdiction under the Grand Lodge of the United States, and the number present was greater than at any previous session. Most gratifying facts; showing a unity of interest and feeling to exist throughout the entire jurisdiction.

The utmost harmony and good feeling characterized the entire session, and all felt, after six days of association and interchange of thoughts and feelings, "how good it was to be brethren," and that the bonds which bind us together had been greatly strengthened.

THE GRAND SIRE'S REPORT

was read by himself. He congratulates the Representatives upon the prosperity of the Order throughout the entire jurisdiction, and reminds us that we should acknowledge our obligations to the Most High, with grateful hearts and cheerful voices, for the many favors vouchsafed to us, and the great prosperity of our Order during the past year.

AID TO SOUTHERN LODGES.

In relation to this matter the M. W. Grand Sire says: "I regret to say that the amount received does not meet the expectations of the authors of the movement. This appeal was made, knowing that unless relief could be given liberally, in some localities our Order must for the present become extinct. Our Lodges in the Southern States, with but few exceptions, have been since the close of the war struggling for their very life. The brethren there have done all they possibly could to resuscitate and revive the Order. But their condition after the war was deplorable—without Lodge-rooms to meet in, their Lodge furniture, regalia and books destroyed, their members scattered, and with these facts staring them in the face, they naturally looked to us, my brethren, for help and succor in their day of need, and I had trusted that their cry would not be made in vain; but for causes unknown to me, we have not received the amount of available help that we require. What then shall we do? Our own Grand Lodge has at the present time a large surplus fund on hand, and for which at present we have no particular use, with the prospect before us of a large income in the coming year. I would suggest that this R. W. Grand Lodge loan to the several Southern Grand Lodges, such amounts as they may consider necessary to meet the immediate wants of their Subordinate Lodges. That these loans be made to such Grand Bodies that may apply for them; and, that they be granted upon such terms, and in such amounts, as may be provided for by

the Finance Committee of this Grand Body. If we desire to save our Order in the Southern States, something should be done, and that as soon as possible. I believe such a course, as here suggested, would be beneficial to ourselves, as well as to the Lodges requiring aid. And the amount thus furnished would be of infinite benefit to our suffering brotherhood, and be the means of relieving many of those Lodges who, in days gone by, never heard the cry of distress without answering to the extent of their ability, and who are now struggling to sustain themselves against the misfortune they have passed through. I leave this matter with you, my brethren, knowing as I well do, that you will act for the best interest of the entire brotherhood."

In relation to this same matter our very Worthy Grand Secretary says in his report: "Our brethren of the South, members of our household, speaking the same common language, worshipping around the same altars, laboring in the same good cause, are cheered and encouraged by no such inspiring scenes. Difficulties of unparalleled magnitude, trials which no other institution could have survived, have comparatively overwhelmed them; their zeal, although unabated, has been unnerved; their devotion to the great principles of the Order, although cherished in their innermost heart, is powerless for active effort. They have the will, but without essential and substantial aid, their progress to recuperation must be slow, if not of doubtful success. Why, or how calamity has overtaken them, is not now the inquiry; a pure and elevated humanity does not pause to analyse, or moralise in the presence of misfortune, especially when that misfortune invades the family circle; rather does it uplift the fallen, and rescue the sinking object. At the last session the Grand Lodge entered upon this subject with fraternal sympathy and alacrity, and the means devised failed only of accomplishment by reason of delays and hindrances already fully explained. The necessity has been made the more apparent by the delay which has intervened; the delay itself has perhaps not been prejudicial to the efficient interposition of our good offices, for supplying, as it does, fuller information as to the extent of the need, it presents the opportunity for a larger liberality, and a more deliberate legislation upon the subject. Let us thank a beneficent Providence, which still continues to guard and protect and prosper our beloved Order, that we have alike the power and the will to act out our whole duty in the premises. Let us cherish and fully appreciate the high responsibilities of our position, as the supreme council of the institution, ever remembering that if we would preserve its integrity and power for good, we must keep the fountain source healthful in its action, and aim at the administration of its trust for the common weal. Peace, Concord, Fraternity, are the cardinal elements of our power; Friendship, Love, Truth, chastened by a high moral culture, the single idea of our great mission. Under this standard uplifted, its march has been onward, until it has gathered within its ranks the good and the wise in every State, District and Territory of our country, of the adjacent Provinces, and of the Islands contiguous, and will, by the Divine aid, at no distant future, penetrate wherever civilization has found a home on earth."

There has been received during the year, and paid over to the Grand Treasurer, on account of the Southern Relief Fund, up to and inclusive of Sept. 24, 1867, the sum of \$11,195.

This amount will be further increased, so that including the Grand Lodge subscription it will reach not less than \$12,000.

Credit for the amount paid in is given respectively to the jurisdictions from which the same was received, as will appear in the statement accompanying:

New Jersey.....	\$ 160 00
Illinois.....	164 70
Connecticut.....	850 00
Massachusetts.....	615 00
Ohio.....	895 04
New York.....	1,082 88
Minnesota.....	47 60
Maine.....	60 00
Kentucky.....	236 00
Missouri.....	776 20
Nebraska.....	10 00
Delaware.....	195 00
Wisconsin.....	34 00
Rhode Island.....	85 00
District of Columbia.....	145 00
California.....	2,627 50
Pennsylvania.....	1,295 23
Maryland.....	400 00
Indiana.....	596 90
New Jersey.....	238 00
Missouri.....	210 95
District of Columbia.....	425 00
West Virginia.....	35 00
Total.....	\$11,195 00

It is with pride we refer to the liberal contributions made to the "Southern Relief Fund," and particularly refer to the donation made by our noble jurisdiction, and we learn from our Worthy Grand Secretary, T. Rodgers Johnson, that a further sum of \$1,427 has been forwarded to the G. C. and Recording Secretary, Jas. L. Ridgely, making the grand total of \$4,055 to this worthy object from this jurisdiction.

The following resolution appoints the disbursing committee of the above fund.

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Sire, the R. W. Deputy Grand Sire, the R. W. Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary, and the R. W. Grand Treasurer be appointed a Committee to disburse the Southern Jurisdiction Relief Fund, in such manner as in their judgment will most conduce to the welfare of the Lodges and Encampments for whom this friendly aid has been proposed.

DECISIONS OF THE GRAND SIRE.

The following decisions of the M. W. Grand Sire, were approved by the Grand Lodge.

First. Public Installations cannot be held unless the State Grand Body has given consent to her Subordinates to have the same: and where the Grand Master of the jurisdiction has forbidden the same, the Grand Sire has no power to interfere with his decision. The decision of the Grand Master is binding until reversed by his Grand Lodge—unless his decision is in direct conflict with the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge of the United States.

Second. The Lodge to which the applicant belongs is entitled to the fees for degrees. No Lodge has the right to give a certificate to receive the degrees until the fees are paid. It is the duty of any Lodge, upon the presentation of

a duly authenticated degree certificate, if the brother is in good standing, to confer the degrees upon the candidate holding and presenting such certificate.

Third. The Noble Grand of a Lodge has no power to set aside any part of the Constitution of his Lodge. The objectionable section must be repealed or amended in the manner provided for in said Constitution, and is binding on him and his Lodge until so repealed or amended.

Fifth. A Grand Lodge has no right to grant more than *one ballot* and *one reconsideration* of the same, to a candidate for membership in a Subordinate Lodge.

Sixth. A Grand Lodge has no right to require a residence for any definite period before a brother can deposit a withdrawal card from a sister jurisdiction. A law of such a character is in direct violation of our principles.

Seventh. The R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, having decided by her Constitution the necessary qualifications for membership in the Order, no Grand Body has the right to change the same.

Ninth. A person who has lost *an arm* is not eligible for membership into the Order by initiation.

Fourth decision as modified by the Grand Lodge :

“It is the duty of the V. G. to preside in the absence of the N. G. and except upon the occasion of an initiation or grand visitation; all the acts of the Lodge are void, unless one of these officers preside, if present. On these occasions, the best experience of the Lodge should be called into requisition, in the shape of some experienced P. G.”

In place of the eighth decision the Grand Lodge adopted the following :

Resolved, That a Subordinate Lodge, before proceeding to ballot to advance brothers in the degrees, must be closed in the Initiatory Degree in form and manner as prescribed in the Charge Book, and after having been regularly closed in the form provided, the Lodge must then be opened in the degree or degrees applied for in the form and manner provided in the Degree Charge Book, page 3, and shall not be opened again in the Initiatory.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We glean the following items of interest from the very able report of the distinguished Grand Recording and Corresponding Secretary :

CALIFORNIA.—The very interesting and detailed letter of the distinguished Grand Secretary and Grand Scribe of this great State, Bro. T. RODGERS JOHNSON, accompanying the Annual Reports, requires no comment from me; it tells for itself of the high degree of prosperity which Odd Fellowship has reached in California. The large contributions which the jurisdiction has supplied to the treasury of the Grand Lodge, and the splendid liberality displayed in behalf of the suffering Brotherhood of the South, possess of themselves an eloquence of voice which speaks in powerful tones of the broad spirit of Fraternity pervading the State.

The following, compiled from the tables in the report of the Grand Secretary, will show the condition, strength, and extent of our Order, and its progress during the past year:

Number of Jurisdictions	43
“ “ Lodges	2,860
“ “ Initiations	35,021
“ “ Rejections	3,462
Number admitted by card	5,876
“ “ withdrawn “	6,412
Number of Reinstatements	3,378
“ “ Suspensions	8,212
“ “ Expulsions	1,051
“ “ Deaths	2,164
“ “ Members	214,561
“ “ Brothers relieved	2,026
“ “ Widowed families relieved	3,141
Amount paid for relief of Brothers	\$410,431
“ “ “ “ Widowed families	97,378
“ “ “ “ Education of orphans	15,864
“ “ “ “ Burying the dead	102,689
Amount of the annual receipts	\$1,804,234

REVISION OF THE CHARGE BOOKS IN THE GERMAN LANGUAGE.

Rep. Mack, of Wisconsin, moved the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to revise the Charge Books in the German language, and report the result of their labors for consideration and action at the next meeting of the Grand Lodge.

The Chair named the following as the committee:

Reps. Mack, of Wisconsin; Deitz, of Georgia; Garey, of Maryland.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following are the most important resolutions adopted by the Grand Lodge:

1st. *Resolved*, That whenever, in the judgment of a State Grand Body, it may be expedient, it shall be lawful to allow a Lodge or Encampment to be resuscitated, upon the application of five of the former members of the Lodge, or seven of the former members of the Encampment, as the case may be, to give the name, charter, and effects of such defunct Subordinates to such applicants; *provided*, That the petitioners, at the time of their application, shall not be connected with any other Subordinate Lodge or Encampment.

2d. *Resolved*, That the G. C. and R. Secretary be and is hereby requested to compile and publish in one volume, with appropriate title, the form for Public Installation, form for Funeral Procession and Funeral Service, form for Laying Corner Stones, form for Dedicating Halls, together with such other forms prescribed by the Grand Lodge of the United States, as in the judgment of the G. C. and R. Secretary may be proper and expedient.

The Committee recommend the adoption of the resolution. The volumes to be furnished to Jurisdictions and Lodges at \$1.25, and when prepared the G. C. and R. Secretary to notify the several jurisdictions that said volumes are subject to order.

3d. *Resolved*, That the Noble Grands of Subordinate Lodges shall have the power to appoint a committee to examine any visiting brother before the

Lodge is opened, on ascertaining that the card of the visiting brother is correct.

4th. *Resolved*, That the right of Subordinate Lodges and Encampments to re-elect their officers is under the control of the several State, District, and Territorial Grand Bodies.

5th. *Resolved*, That the 26th of April be and the same hereby is established as the Anniversary of this Order, and all Grand Lodges and Encampments are requested to urge their Subordinates to observe the day in some appropriate manner.

6th. *Resolved*, That State Grand Bodies are hereby required to expel from their own membership, and Subordinate Lodges and Encampments to expel from the Order, any member thereof who shall attach to any chart, certificate, diploma, or other document, any copy or impression of the seal of this Grand Lodge, or of the seal of any Grand or Subordinate Lodge, of which he has not the official use and custody.

7th. *Resolved*, That the above named Bodies shall inflict the same penalty upon any member knowingly publishing or circulating any diploma or certificate purporting to be by authority of the Order, which is not authorized by law.

TERMS IN SUBORDINATE LODGES.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Legislative Committee, to whom the following resolution of Rep. HUNTER, of Louisiana, has been referred, viz. :

“*Resolved*, That the term of service for officers of Subordinate Lodges and Encampments be twelve months, and that all laws of the R. W. Grand Body to the contrary be and they are hereby repealed;”

Submit the following report: That the term of office now fixed by law has been established for many years, the Order has greatly prospered under the existing term of service, and the committee think it would be unwise to make the change contemplated by the resolution. They, therefore, recommend that it be not adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

EWD. H. FITZHUGH,
THOS. T. SMILEY,
J. ALEXANDER SIMPSON,
SAMUEL WILLARD.

NEW RITUAL.

The proposed new Ritual was indefinitely postponed.

HONORARY MEMBERSHIP.

The proposition to admit honorary members into the Order failed. A settled determination seems to prevail in the Grand Lodge of the United States to stand by old landmarks.

EXPULSION FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

At the session of 1866, this question was referred to a special committee, to report at this session. The committee made a report (see pages 4189 and 4190, printed Journal), which report was further postponed until the next session. We commend this subject to your careful attention and reflection.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

The proposed change in the funeral service was not adopted.

DEGREE OF REBEKAH.

The proposition to abolish this Degree was lost.

The following is the only further action of the Grand Lodge in relation to this Degree:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Legislative Committee, to whom so much of the Grand Sire's Report as alludes to the Degree of Rebekah has been referred, beg leave to report, that inasmuch as the question of the repeal of the law establishing this Degree has been referred, by the session of 1866, to this session of the Grand Lodge, and as no action has yet been taken on the subject, and it is uncertain whether the Degree will be abolished or not, the Committee, after much deliberation, respectfully submit that, under existing circumstances, legislation of the important character suggested by the M. W. Grand Sire, is at present inexpedient. The pressure of business upon this Committee during the brief session of this body, forbids them from giving the time to the consideration of the subject which is necessary to perfect the legislation suggested. And the Committee, therefore, recommend that it be the pleasure of the Grand Lodge to continue the Degree, and to adopt further measures to perfect it, that the same be referred to a special committee to report at the next session.

In regard to the want of uniformity in the recognition or reception of this work by the several jurisdictions, also alluded to by the M. W. Grand Sire, the Committee are of opinion that this Degree was originally adopted as a mere side degree or privilege, and is not an integral part of the work of the Order, (see Digest, p. 147,) its reception ought not to be made compulsory upon those jurisdictions that are unwilling to receive it.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY F. GAREY,
EDW. H. FITZHUGH,
THOS. T. SMILEY,
J. ALEXANDER SIMPSON,
SAMUEL WILLARD.

WEEKLY BENEFITS.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred so much of the M. W. Grand Sire's report "as refers to the weekly benefits of Subordinate Lodges," respectfully report:

That the payment of weekly benefits to sick members is the distinguishing characteristic of our Order, and may be regarded as the fundamental principle of Odd Fellowship, which, combined with the moral precepts and teachings of the Order, has made our organization so eminently successful.

The repeated affirmance and heretofore consistent adherence to this peculiar feature of our Order, induces the Committee to dissent from the opinions expressed by the M. W. Grand Sire, and respectfully submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. STOKES,
ALEX. MCKINSTRY,
JOS. B. ESCAVAILLE,
T. B. McCARTY,
SAMUEL W. HODGES.

TRACT ON ODD FELLOWSHIP.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

The Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred so much of the M. W. Grand Sire's report "as refers to, approves of, and commends" the tract on Odd Fellowship, respectfully report:

That they have carefully examined the tract referred to, and find that in its preparation, the objects aimed at, and set forth in the report of the Legislative Committee of last session (upon whose recommendation the Committee was appointed, Journal, 1866, page 3958) has been fully and clearly set forth; and we are of the opinion that it will supply a void heretofore greatly needed in the Order, and recommend its adoption as an exemplification of the aims and objects of Odd Fellowship, and advise as general a distribution of the tract as possible.

Resolved, That the report be referred back to the Committee, with instructions to report in favor of a reference back to the original committee to abbreviate so much of said tract as appears under the title, "ITS NAME," and that said committee report such abbreviated tract to the next session of this body.

PROPOSITION TO CHANGE THE NAME OF THE G. L. OF U. S.

The following amendment to the Constitution was submitted by Representative Woodyatt, of Ontario: To amend Section 1 of Article I, by striking out "Grand Lodge of the United States," and inserting "Supreme Grand Lodge." On which an animated discussion ensued, during which, the name of "Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows," and "Grand Lodge of America," were suggested.

It having been referred to the Legislative Committee, they reported, "in their opinion it is inexpedient to legislate on this subject," and asked to be discharged; which report was adopted.

INSTRUCTIONS TO GRAND SECRETARIES.

Annual Returns.

Resolved, That on all blank forms for "Annual Returns," hereafter issued, there shall be printed the following:

Instructions to Grand Secretaries and Grand Scribes.—When Subordinates fail to report, you will consider them, in making your report to this Grand Lodge, as returning the same number of members as in their last report.

When a Subordinate is expelled, you will enter the number of members they last reported as "expelled," and state the cause.

When a subordinate forfeits its charter, or becomes extinct, by failing to report, you will (unless cards are issued to the members by officers of the Grand Bodies) enter the number of members last reported as "suspended," and state the cause.

When a Subordinate has its charter returned and is reorganized, the number of members receiving the charter are to be returned as "*reinstated*," unless they hold withdrawal cards or certificates, in which case all holders of cards or certificates are to be entered as "*admitted by card*."

When withdrawal cards (or certificates having the same effect) are issued by officers of Grand Bodies to members of defunct Subordinates, who have been previously returned as "*suspended*" or "*expelled*," you will enter them as "*reinstated*" and "*withdrawn by card*."

In the first return from a newly organized Grand Body, the number of members in the Subordinates should be entered as "*admitted by card*," and the body to which they were previously attached should enter them as "*withdrawn by card*."

All members reported by Subordinates as "*dropped*" should be entered as "*suspended*," and those reported as "*resigned*" should be entered as "*withdrawn by card*."

The names of those expelled and suspended "*for offense*" should be entered and *numbered*.

Resolved, That the particular attention of Grand Secretaries and Grand Scribes and the Secretaries of Subordinate Lodges and Scribes of Subordinate Encampments, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, be directed to the importance of using their best efforts to procure correct reports of the work of the Subordinates.

Resolved, That the R. W. G. Corresponding and Recording Secretary be requested to furnish to Subordinates under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, blank forms containing all the provisions required by the resolution adopted by this Grand Lodge.

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 1.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Committee on Finance have had under consideration a communication from the Excelsior Lodge, No. 1, at Honolulu, Sandwich Islands, relating to a claim made by that Lodge against this Grand Lodge for the sum of \$131.50, and report the following as the result of such investigation:

It appears by the Grand Secretary's account with Excelsior Lodge, that it was indebted to this Grand Body for dues and supplies furnished, \$359.75, against which said Lodge had several items of credit prior to the session of this Grand Lodge in 1866, amounting to \$228.45, and leaving a balance at that time due this Grand Lodge of \$131.30. Excelsior Lodge then claimed that this balance had been paid over to one R. A. S. Wood, the D. Deputy Grand Sire for that jurisdiction, and exhibited his receipt therefor. That officer has up to this time failed to transmit that collection to this Grand Lodge; but this body, at its session in 1866, acknowledged such payment, and by resolution (page 3972 of Journal) directed the Grand Secretary to credit Excelsior Lodge the sum of \$131.30, and charge the same to D. Deputy Grand Sire Wood. The books of the Grand Secretary show a credit of \$131.30 at that time made to Excelsior Lodge in pursuance of instructions, and which, according to the Secretary's books, was required to make such account balance, and it does not appear from the books and vouchers placed in the hands of your committee that Excelsior Lodge has any further claim against this Grand Lodge.

The committee report the following resolution:

Resolved, That Excelsior Lodge, No. 1, have leave to withdraw its claim.

Respectfully submitted.

H. L. PAGE,
JAS. TERWILLIGER,
JOHN H. BAILEY,
C. A. LOGAN,
F. BOTSFORD.

A petition from the four Subordinate Lodges of Colorado Territory was presented, asking for a charter for a Grand Lodge. By preamble and resolution the Grand Sire was requested to issue a charter, whenever a petition in proper form, and accompanied by the proper fee, may be presented to him, with the condition they pay the expenses of their representative to the G. L. of U. S., until such time as they may have attained the regular number of Lodges to entitle them to a Grand Lodge under the present law. We understand that the condition has been complied with, and that the Grand Lodge of Colorado has been organized.

VESTED RIGHTS.

Rep. Dannels, of California, submitted the following proceeding of the Grand Lodge of California, which was referred to the Legislative Committee:

Resolved, That our R. W. Grand Representatives to the next session of the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to urge in that body legislation providing that, in those jurisdictions wherein a representative system for membership of Grand Lodges has been adopted, the power to vote for Grand Officers shall be confined to such representatives.

Upon which that Committee reported as follows:

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States:

The Legislative Committee, to whom the resolution of Rep. Dannels, of California, in relation to confining the power to vote for Grand Officers in certain cases to Representatives, beg leave to report that the Right of a Past Grand in good standing to vote for Grand Officers is an inherent vested right,

of which he cannot be deprived. The committee, therefore, recommend that they be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

EDW. H. FITSHUGH,
THOS. T. SMILEY,
J. ALEX. SIMPSON,
SAMUEL WILLARD.

OBITUARY,

Rep. McClelland, of California, rose in his place and addressed the Lodge, as follows:

Most Worthy Grand Sir: I feel it a duty incumbent on me to formally announce the death of P. G. M. and P. G. Rep. WM. M. ALLEN, of the jurisdiction of California, who was a member of this Grand Lodge at the time of his death. He died on the 8th day of October, 1866, in the city of Philadelphia, far from the home of his adoption, but surrounded by true and faithful Odd Fellows, and the last funeral ceremonies were conducted by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Bro. ALLEN needs no eulogy at my hands. The history of the Order in California shows how dearly the brethren loved and esteemed him by elevating him to the high and honorable position of Grand Master, and subsequently electing him to represent their interest in this National Grand Lodge. He has "*gone home*" in the midst of his usefulness.

If possible, a still more painful duty devolves on me to announce the death of another distinguished and well beloved brother of our noble Order in California. P. G. M. and P. G. Rep. JAMES A. J. BOHEN died in the city of San Francisco on the 25th day of May, of the present year, after a long and protracted sickness of many months, of that slow but sure disease, *consumption*. We will not attempt to take up your valuable time in eulogizing the life and character of our distinguished brother. He needs none; his life will speak for him, as cold and too often unmeaning words cannot.

Bro. Bohen was born on Federal Hill, in the city of Baltimore, and at the time of his death was 39 years old—born, as it were, in the very cradle of Odd Fellowship. We have frequently heard him make mention of the many times and many hours (when a mere youth) he has spent in company with the father and founder of our noble and beneficent Order, when he used to gather the little boys around him and relate to them many pleasant little stories, which caused the little fellows to love him. We can say we are not surprised that the lessons thus early taught, and so indelibly fixed on his young mind, were not forgotten by him in his more mature years, for his greatest pleasure was imparting these lessons so early learned to others.

His death was not unexpected; but how sadly did the intelligence fall on the members of our Order and the community in which he lived, that another noble and good man had "fallen asleep." How fragrant the memory of such a man! How we love to linger upon the recollections of his past life!

Bro. BOHEN was buried in the Odd Fellows' Cemetery, in full view of the Pacific Ocean, side by side with the lamented Past Grand Master PARKER, where the Order of our noble jurisdiction is rearing a monument to their memory, as enduring as the beautiful white granite of our State, and which will ever point to the "sleeping"-place of those noble and true hearts.

To the memory of Bro. BOHEN there are erected in the hearts of many sorrow-stricken friends, monuments of never-dying love and gratitude more lasting

than tablets of stone. The incense of grateful affection and love will ever be awarded him by the members of our Order. Peacefully, gently, willingly he "fell asleep," and as our tears fell upon his grave we were comforted by the thought that he was "not *lost* but gone before;" and a glad reunion—the joys of which will surpass aught that earth can afford—awaits us if our footsteps follow after those of this good man, who has "gone home."

He was, indeed, an earnest, devoted and enthusiastic "*Odd Fellow*." He was grateful to his Creator, faithful to his country, and fraternal to his fellow-man. "Peace be to his ashes."

PENDING AMENDMENTS.

All pending amendments to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, were "indefinitely postponed," and a number of new ones laid on the table, to be acted upon at the next session.

All which is respectfully submitted, in Friendship, Love and Truth.

C. W. DANNALS,

J. A. McCLELLAND.

Grand Representatives.

REPORT OF THE PARKER MONUMENT COMMITTEE.

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

The undersigned, a Special Committee, appointed at the Fourteenth Annual Communication of this R. W. Grand Lodge, (p. 187 Journal of Proceedings), and whose partial report was received, and committee continued at the last session of this Grand Body, would respectfully present, in detail, their proceedings in endeavoring to carry out the views of this Grand Lodge, in the matter intrusted to them, in this their final report.

Your committee on the 13th day of June, 1867, contracted with James Henderson, of San Francisco, (artist) to build and erect in the "Odd Fellows" Cemetery, in the City and County of San Francisco, over the place where the remains of P. G. M. Samuel H. Parker are interred, a monument, in all things according to the plans and specifications accepted, marked A and B, (accompanying this report) for the sum of (\$6,000) six thousand dollars in U. S. gold coin. The contractor, after giving satisfactory security for the faithful performance of the work, commenced and finished the same to the satisfaction of your committee. The amount as per agreement was paid in full by installments as the work progressed. On accepting the monument from the builder it appeared that an improvement might be made by lengthening the shaft to 3 feet 8 inches, which would add to the general appearance, and give more artistic finish to the column, which was done at an additional cost of (\$150) one hundred and fifty dollars. The structure as it now stands, costs \$6,150, and no debts are standing against the same. The vouchers are now in possession of M. Heller, Treasurer of the Committee, to whose report the undersigned respectfully refer.

The exercises for the laying of the corner stone of the monument were ordered and directed by the M. W. G. M. Chas. N. Fox, on Sunday, Nov. 17th, 1867. The memorial address was delivered by P. G. R., Nathan Porter. Side by side with P. G. M. Parker is all that is mortal of his faithful co-laborer, P. G. M. James A. J. Bohon, placed there by order of the Grand Master and resolution passed at a special meeting of this Grand Lodge. Your Committee deem it proper to notice the loss sustained by them in the sudden death of P. G. John Q. Piper, on the 23d of July last, a member of this Committee, whose efficiency and earnestness in furthering the views of the Order in the erection of this monument, was noticeable to all who came in contact with him on this subject. His seat at the board was filled by P. G. Thomas Stenly, of California Lodge, No. 1, and with the consent of the Standing Committee.

DESCRIPTION OF THE MONUMENT.

The foundation is built of a hard, blue-black, quarry stone, from the quarry near Lone Mountain Cemetery, laid on their natural bed in good cement mortar, 12 feet square at the bottom, 10 feet 3 inches square at the top, 10 feet in depth.

There are two openings about 7 feet 6 inches long, 2 feet high, and 2 feet 6 inches wide, formed in the foundation about two feet above the bottom, with openings at the east side, and arched over with brick; and the remains of P. G. M., S. H. Parker are placed in the right hand vault, and P. G. M., J. A. J. Bohon in the left hand vault.

The whole height from the top of this foundation wall to the top of the monument, is 37 feet 5½ inches, built in sections, of the best white Folsom granite, taken from one boulder in the quarry of Messrs. Connell & Ellis.

The sub-plinth, which rests immediately on the foundation wall, is 10 feet 6 inches square, and 1 foot 7 inches high. The plinth is 8 feet square, and 2 feet high. The base of pedestal is 6 feet 10 inches square, and 1 foot 9½ inches high, and on the upper 12 inches of the base is formed a heavy cove and torus moulding, with fillet. The die of the pedestal is 4 feet 8 inches square, and 4 feet 11 inches high, with a panel 2 feet 6 inches by 2 feet 9 inches, sunk 3½ inches, formed on each of the four faces. The bed moulding for cap of pedestal, is a large ogive moulding, 9½ inches in height, and projects 7¼ inches. The cap of pedestal is 6 feet 6 inches square, and 1 foot 4½ inches high, with a pediment formed on each of the four faces, with the three links out in bold relief, on the east pediment; and the crooks, crossed, cut in like manner on the west pediment.

The base of the shaft of the monument is 1 foot 2 inches high, formed of a large inverse ogive moulding, and fillet. The first, or lower section of the shaft, is 3 feet square at the bottom, and 2 feet 6 inches square at top, and 8 feet 6 inches in height. At this height a band extends around the shaft, 1 foot 2 inches high, projecting 3 inches, and chamfered on the upper and lower edges. The upper principal section of the shaft is 10 feet 6 inches high, 2 feet 6 inches square at the lower end, and 1 foot 8 inches at the upper end. A band 8 inches high, projecting 2 inches, and chamfered, caps the upper section, which, in turn, is surmounted by a stone 2 feet 10 inches high, 1 foot 7 inches square at the base, 8 inches square near the top, and from thence beveled to the top.

All the granite is neatly patent-hammer dressed, set in cement, closely jointed, pointed with white lead, and the joints struck with black lead; and all the joinings are firmly held together with large copper cramps.

The interior of the pedestal and base is built up solid, with hard quarry stone, laid in good cement mortar.

The whole weight of the monument, including foundation wall, is about 164 tons, or 367,360 pounds.

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are cut in sunk letters, in the four panels of the pedestal, as follows: East panel, the word "Parker;" north panel, "P. G. M. Samuel H. Parker, died March 14th, 1866, aged 47 years." West panel, the word "Bohen;" south panel, "P. G. M. James A. J. Bohem, died May 25th, 1867, aged 38 years."

The monument is erected on the most elevated portion of the Cemetery, at a height from the base of the hill some one hundred feet (which is composed of sand), conspicuous from all its surroundings, and seen from the entrance of the Golden Gate, and from most of the principal roads leading out from the City.

Your Committee have not been authorized, nor have they incurred any liabilities not consonant with the receipts, and have expended the amount of moneys received by the R. W. G. Secretary, on the monument alone.

There remains to be finished, the proposed "Terrace," to give solidity to the foundation and beauty to the structure, a plan of which is submitted with this report with an estimated cost of some (\$2500) twenty-five hundred dollars. This we would recommend to the consideration of this R. W. Grand Lodge.

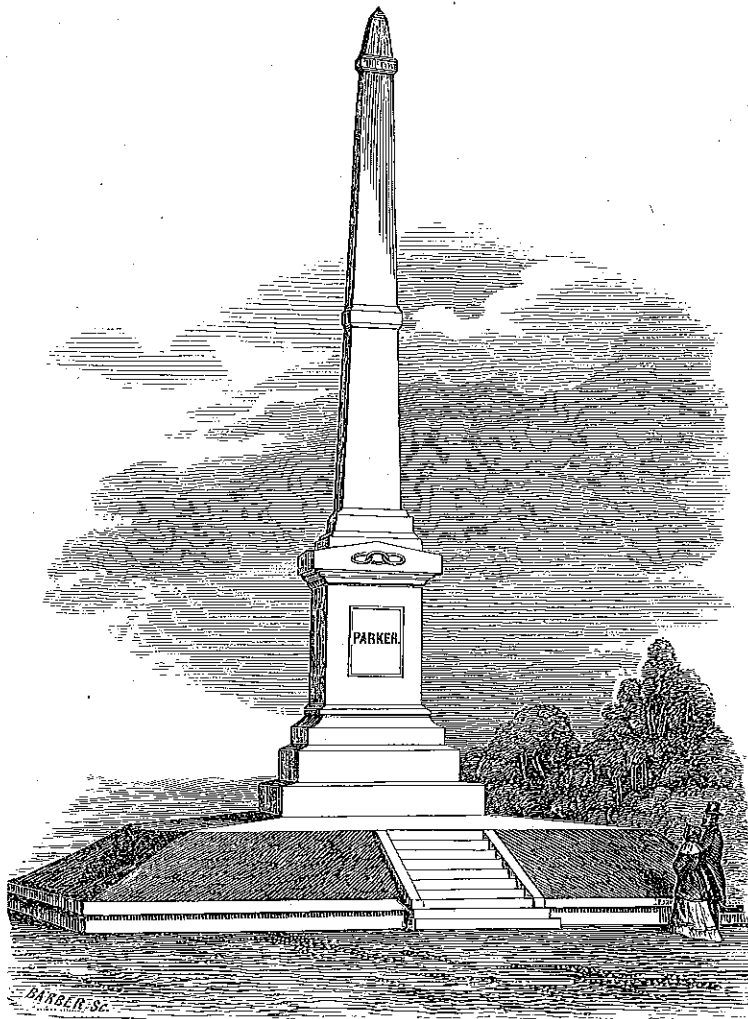
The receipts and expenditures of the Parker Monument Fund, received and disbursed since our last report, your Committee respectfully refers to the reports of your R. W. Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

The regular minutes of the Committee; the communications with the various Lodges of the Order; the specifications; the proposals for building the monument; the contract made with Mr. James Henderson, with the bonds, executed for the faithful performance of same; plans and models presented, are placed in possession of your R. W. Grand Secretary, for reference, or whatever action this R. W. Grand Lodge of California, may deem proper in the premises.

In conclusion, your Committee would simply remark, that they have endeavored to the best of their abilities, to have fulfilled the duties intrusted to them, and it remains now for them to surrender that trust with the monument as it now stands, for dedication or whatever disposition the R. W. Grand Lodge of California may deem in its judgment admissible.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. GARWOOD,
J. A. McCLELLAND,
GEORGE T. BOHEN,
M. HELLER,
THOMAS STEALY.



PROPOSED TERRACE.



REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CORRESPONDENCE.

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

Your Committee on Correspondence, appointed at the last session of this Worthy Grand Body, have carefully examined the reports of such Grand Lodges as have reached us, and beg leave to submit the following synopsis thereof :

The first in alphabetical order is from

ALABAMA, THE CENTRAL STATE OF THE SOUTHERN JURISDICTION.

Reports were received from nineteen Lodges out of the twenty-seven. The Order, owing to the unsettled state of that section of the country, is in rather a dormant condition. The Grand Master, in his report, says : "The condition of the country is such, that we have no reason to *hope* for much increase in our membership, or for much activity within our Lodges. The actual increase in the number of members since your last session, according to the reports received up to this time, amounts to but sixty members. Subsequent reports may increase that number some, but you will perceive that the actual increase is much less than we would be pleased to have it. It is gratifying, however, to state that, so far as I have been able to ascertain, the work of the Lodges has been in accordance with the principles and teachings of our beloved Order, and that Lodges and members have vied with each other in visiting the sick, relieving the distressed, burying the dead, and educating the orphan."

In reference to the financial affairs of the Grand Lodge, the Grand Master makes the following report:

"I cannot but congratulate the membership upon the sound and healthy condition of the fiscal concerns of the Grand Lodge—out of debt, and with a balance of near eight hundred dollars in the treasury—a result in a great measure owing to the careful and economical management of your very efficient R. W. Grand Secretary."

The session was held at Mobile, February 3d, 1868.

W. B. Wood was elected Grand Master, and Stuart W. Cayce Grand Secretary.

ARKANSAS.

The Grand Lodge of Arkansas held its seventeenth annual communication at Little Rock, November 6th, 1867. The Grand Master, in his report, says:

"Considering the many trials through which our institution has passed, and the impoverished condition of a majority of brothers in this jurisdiction, nothing has occurred to shake our confidence in the propriety of Odd Fellowship, or the great good it will continue to accomplish. Lately, some attention has been attracted to the practical workings of our Order. Many persons who were once indifferent to its claims have observed the firmness with which it withstood the shock of civil war; how its members clung to the banner of "Friendship, Love and Truth," resisting successfully all assaults that were made upon it; and the happy reunion of the brethren, immediately upon the advent of peace. Public opinion is undergoing a remarkable transition respecting the objects of our noble Order, and everywhere we discover signs of progress."

Three new Lodges, viz: Bragg, No. 23, Magnolia, No. 24, and Sangor, No. 25, were instituted during the year, and are all in a prosperous and growing condition. And through the agency of D. G. M., Geo. W. Hurley, of whom the Grand Master speaks in most flattering terms, Independence Lodge, No. 4, and Des Arc Lodge, No. 8, were revived and put in working condition.

Peter Brugman was elected Grand Master, and Thomas R. Welch Grand Secretary.

CANADA WEST.

The proceedings from this jurisdiction are fraught with more than usual interest, from the fact that, by an enactment of the Provincial Parliament, the M. W. Grand Master of Canada West, who held a civil appointment under the government of that country, was obliged not only to resign the exalted position to which he had by years of labor and attention attained, but was further compelled to entirely sever his connection with our Order. The following is his letter of resignation, which is well worth perusing:

OFFICE OF THE M. W. GRAND MASTER,
LONDON, May 1st, 1867. }

To the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Officers and Representatives of the R. W. Grand Lodge, C. W.; and to the Officers and Members of Subordinate Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of Canada West.

BRETHREN:—Having, through a recent enactment of the Provincial Parliament of Canada, been forbidden, as a civil officer, to take part in or hold membership with any secret order or society, I am under the painful necessity of resigning the honorable position of Grand Master, to which your kindness has elevated me; and not only this—I must entirely sever my identity as a brother.

This mandate, whether judicious or otherwise, I am bound to respect; and I need not inform you, that nothing but the commands of an authority to which my position in life binds me, would have induced me to take this step; but it is unavoidable—our relations must be severed, deeply as I regret it.

I have, during my term of office, visited every Lodge within the jurisdiction, with the exception of one, which was at too great a distance, and am happy to state that in all the vigor of youth is discernable, as, indeed, it cannot otherwise be—based, as our principles are, on the most philanthropic and beneficent designs. Numerically and financially, the Lodges are every day increasing: the first adding to our interest, the latter to our means of doing good.

It would have been my greatest pleasure to have retained the honorable position of Grand Master for the remainder of the term, but I would not be doing justice to myself or to the Order, if I retained the position any longer, which the law of the land deprives me of enjoying. *I cannot*; but shall under all circumstances be one with you in heart.

If my assistance in your deeds of charity will avail anything, I need no other incentive to act, than the knowledge I already possess of your aims and designs, obtained by fifteen years' connection with the Order.

Brethren: I hope and trust that in all proper efforts to sustain the prin-

ciples of your noble Order, a guiding Providence will direct your thoughts and steps.

And now, brethren, I most affectionately bid you, one and all, farewell.

I am, brethren, fraternally yours,

.. RICH'D WIGMORE,
M. W. Grand Master.

We cannot but enter our protest at the enactment, at this period of civilization and enlightenment, by any Government, of a law which tends to deprive a man of the free exercise of his conscientious opinions, when those opinions do not in any wise militate against the peace, welfare or prosperity of the country, and especially when it strikes at a society, one of whose fundamental principles is the sustaining of all legal authority. Our Order has, by this narrow-minded and unwise legislation, been bereft of the advice, co-operation and example of a man who evidently stands high in the community in which he lives, and, as his elevation to Grand Master proves, was a shining light in the Order.

The Grand Lodge of this jurisdiction held its thirteenth Session at St. Catherines, on the 7th August, 1867, and continued in session two days.

The Grand Master in his report says:

“In the accomplishment of the great objects of our Order, allow me to congratulate you that, during the past year, we have not labored in vain, or spent our strength for naught. A benign Providence has crowned our well-directed energy with success. My brethren, I am happy to report that for the past year our country has been in peace, and nothing has transpired to mar its prosperity.”

In conclusion he says:

“Brethren: I wish one and all peace and prosperity, with an abundance of all the pleasures, privileges and blessings arising out of a common brotherhood, in which I hope all mankind will yet be blended. Brethren, farewell! and may our watchword ever be—

“No sect, no section in our creed—
One faith from pole to pole;
The brotherhood of man, the link
Of universal soul.”

There are fourteen Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 1050, and an increase during the year of 301, being nearly 33½ per cent.

Henry McAfee, of Frontier Lodge, No. 45, was elected Grand Master, and Josiah B. King, of Gore Lodge, No. 34, Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

GEORGIA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Georgia was held at Macon, June 6th, 1866. Thirteen Lodges were represented. The report of proceedings of the Communication held in 1867 has not yet reached the R. W. Grand Secretary of this Body.

From the report of the M. W. Grand Master, J. W. Burke, made June 7, 1866, we cull the following:

"For the first time in three years we meet at our regular Annual Communication; and when we remember all the difficulties through which we have passed within these three years, our hearts should swell with gratitude to God for his preserving care over us, and for granting us once more the privilege of meeting together as brethren in the Grand Lodge, to exchange friendly greetings and transact the regular business that may properly come before us.

"Since the time of our called meeting in August last, but little has transpired of interest to this Grand Body. Our representatives were cordially received in the Grand Lodge of the United States, at Baltimore, and were treated with marked courtesy and good feeling."

The following, from the report of the Grand Representatives, speaks for itself:

"The welcome extended to the representatives from the Southern jurisdictions, after an absence of four years, was of a character that gladdened the hearts of all present. The reunion presented a scene that will never be forgotten. Long separated, but never estranged, they gathered around the National Altar, reaffirming our affiliation, and exemplifying its teachings both in our collective and individual capacity."

INDIANA.

The Grand Lodge of Indiana held its thirty-first Annual Communication on the 19th of November, 1867, at Indianapolis.

The prosperity of our Order in this State, is evidenced by the following extract from the report of the M. W. Grand Master, Joseph A. Funk:

"The half year which is about to expire, terminating the official relation towards this Grand Body, conferred upon me by your partiality, has been a period of marked growth and sound prosperity to Odd Fellowship throughout the entire jurisdiction. New Lodges to the number of nineteen, have been instituted, under circumstances which give good promise of their healthful growth and future usefulness. An increase of membership to the number of eight hundred and twenty, has been received. Our humane and benevolent duties have generally been performed with promptness and zeal, and the noble lessons taught around our altars, have exerted a large and beneficial influence outside of the circle of our cherished affiliation."

The Grand Secretary reported 255 Lodges in the State; initiations during the year, 1,187; total membership, 14,696.

The following suggestion of the Grand Secretary, is worthy of our consideration.

"It is respectfully suggested, that there be prepared a code of laws, for trials on charges before examining committees and Lodges; together with the necessary forms for charges, summoning witnesses, report of Committee, etc. This measure will insure uniformity in trials, facilitate the course of justice, and obviate the many appeals to this Grand Body, caused by the discordant opinions as to the proper procedure in cases of trials.

IOWA.

The Grand Lodge of Iowa held its twentieth Annual Communication at Lyons, October 16th, 1867.

The following is from the report of Benjamin Rupert, the M. W. Grand Master:

"The past year has been one of prosperity to our beloved Order within this jurisdiction, the increase being something over one thousand, making the membership on the 1st of July, 1867, 5,679. And while the Lodges have been growing in numbers, they have also added to their fund on hand, so that they are growing in wealth and usefulness. A number of Lodges the past year have fitted up and dedicated new Halls that would be an honor to any of the older States; and as our objects and purposes become better known, our principles more generally disseminated, the work in which we are engaged will move steadily on, gathering strength at every step."

The Grand Master further reports the organization of twelve new Lodges since the last session.

KANSAS.

The Tenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of this State was held at Leavenworth City, October 8th, 1867.

The Grand Master, Levi Empie, in his report says:

"I congratulate the Order on its general prosperity, and the great progress that has been made during the year. The number of Lodges organized since the 30th of June, 1866, is ten, and the increase of members is but little short of 500.

"On the 30th of June, 1866, we numbered in this State sixteen Lodges, and 771 members, while we now number twenty-six Lodges, and, I estimate, about 1,200 members."

Henry O. Sholes, of Lawrence Lodge, No. 4, was elected Grand Master, and Samuel F. Burdett, of Leavenworth Lodge, No. 2, Grand Secretary.

KENTUCKY.

The Grand Lodge of Kentucky held its Annual Communication at Louisville, October 22d, 1867. Grand Master Gibbons says:

"The reports received by myself and our late Grand Master from the respective D. D. G. M., with few exceptions, indicate in strong terms that our institution throughout the jurisdiction is in a prosperous condition, and that many additions of the best men in the State have, during the last year, been made to our Order, that harmony prevails, and that the whole membership under our jurisdiction seem actuated by the grand principles of FRIENDSHIP, LOVE, AND TRUTH. Guided by them, they cannot be far in error. These reports indicate that the work goes not only bravely on, but regularly, and according to the forms laid down—that all our members are willing and anxious to know the law; knowing it, no consideration can induce them to depart from it one iota. With such lovers of law, of such submission to authority, the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge must, is *bound* to prosper."

The following views of the M. W. Grand Master of this State upon the establishment of a "Widows' Home and Orphans' College," are worthy of attention. Speaking of the subject, he says:

"This matter will, no doubt, be again presented for your consideration. To say that I favor the establishment of this institution, is but a faint expression of the fond desire I feel to know that it is *established and in working order*.

The good to be accomplished by the establishment of this benovolent undertaking is incalculable. The opportunities at present afforded orphans for education can be but poor, indeed, except in a few cities in the State. This will enable the Order, without the use of any of its funds, not only to educate the orphans, but secure to their mothers good comfortable homes. There are few Lodges whose Widows' and Orphans' Funds are sufficiently large to do more than furnish means for the education of their orphans, and but little assistance can be extended to the poor widow. The establishment of this *Home and College* will assure us that hereafter our widows will have a *home*, and our orphans not only schooled, but instructed in all that ennobles human nature."

This jurisdiction now numbers one hundred and thirteen Lodges, and a membership of 6,197, seven new Lodges having been instituted during the year.

LOUISIANA.

The Semi-Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of this State was held January 22, 1867, at New Orleans. Twenty-one Lodges of the thirty-two in the jurisdiction were represented at this meeting. One hundred and one initiations were reported as having been made during the year, swelling the membership to 1,637. At the adjourned meeting held in August, 1867, a further accession of 114 initiates was reported.

The Grand Master in his report states that the Lodges that met in the Odd Fellows' Hall are still suffering from the effect of the destruction of that building, in not having suitable places to hold their meetings, yet they have struggled on with the most commendable zeal, and with much success. Some of them have made large accessions to their membership, and all are apparently animated with a lively spirit, which is prompt to respond to every call, as indicated on all appropriate occasions. * * * * You will perceive from the annual reports of this Body that the financial condition of the various Lodges is excellent, most of them having a large surplus invested in various ways."

MASSACHUSETTS.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts was held at Boston on the 1st day of August, 1867.

The Order in this State consists of fifty-nine Lodges, with a membership of 6,671.

From the report of E. Dana Bancroft, the M. W. Grand Master, we gather that the Order is in a most flourishing condition, and that it gives promise of great increase.

MARYLAND.

From this, the birth-place of our beloved Order, we have the most flattering accounts of the progress and prosperous workings of our Institution. The number of working Lodges on the 15th of April, 1867, the date of the Annual Communication of the R. W. Grand Lodge, was eighty-one. Initiations during the year, 1,189; reinstatements, 140; admission by card, 83; withdrawal by card, 100; suspension for non-payment of dues, 352; expulsions for cause, 17; deaths, 162; rejections, 158. Total number of contributing members, 12,237. Brothers relieved, 1,806; widowed families relieved, 186. Amount of annual receipts of Lodges, \$104,907.77.

Amount paid for relief of brothers, \$31,134.50; amount paid for relief of widowed families, \$21,032.23; amount paid for education of orphans, \$2,816.30; paid for burying the dead, \$6,172; paid for voluntary donations, \$5,531.39. Total amount of relief, \$66,686.62. Net gain in membership, 791.

From the report of N. S. Harrison, Grand Master, we cull the following:

"I congratulate you, my brethren, on the present happy position of the Order. Discord is unknown among us; all is harmony and peace; and it remains only for you, in your legislative capacity, to arrange and aid the work, that the universal principles of charity may go forth in every part of our State with renewed vigor, to animate and bless every family in which Odd Fellowship enters."

In reference to the loss sustained by the Order in the demise of the M. W. Grand Master of the State, he expresses himself as follows:

"Among the many whose places are vacant, none perhaps was more distinguished, honored, and beloved, than our late Grand Master, Bro. J. L. Baugher. To you, my brethren, who knew him personally, I need say little. He was indeed a noble Odd Fellow—a working brother, generous, untiring, and earnest—a man of right principles, a useful member, a good and true Grand Master. Yet he is lost to us—lost in the very midst of his usefulness; and I, less capable, but equally desirous of doing my whole duty, am to-day filling his place. How far I have done so to your satisfaction, I know not. I can only hope for that generous indulgence that imputes errors to the head and not to the heart. Of our late Grand Master it is unnecessary for me to speak much, for his virtues will doubtless be the subject of an abler pen than mine; yet the memory of his friendship will ever warm my heart, and I must give utterance to the hope that we may all emulate his good deeds, and when we in our turn come to leave this world and its many joys and sorrows, it will be with the loved regrets of our brethren, who will likewise cherish our memory as good and faithful servants."

MICHIGAN.

The R. W. Grand Lodge of this State assembled in Annual Session on the 15th of January, 1868, at Adrian. Sixty-eight Lodges were represented.

Eight new Lodges were instituted during the year. The Order here numbers 78 Lodges and 4,919 members. Initiated during the year, 602.

MINNESOTA.

The fifteenth Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota was held at Rochester, June 5th, 1867. There are ten Lodges in the State, eight of which were represented in the Grand Lodge. Total membership, 428; initiated during the year 67; and two Lodges were instituted since the former session of the Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master, D. Ramley, in his report says:

"The general prosperity of the Order in this State is gratifying; and with a little exertion on the part of the Grand Lodge, several new Lodges could be started in the State."

MISSOURI.

The twenty-ninth Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of this State was held at St. Louis, May 21st, 1867. Seventy-six Lodges were represented.

Twelve Lodges were instituted, and charters restored to eight Lodges, during the year. The strength of this jurisdiction consists of 101 Lodges, and 5,029 members, of whom 992 were initiated during the year.

The M. W. Grand Master reports the past year as having been one of marked prosperity.

NEW JERSEY.

The Order in this State is in a most flourishing condition, as appears from the reports of the Grand Master and Grand Secretary, made at the session of the Grand Lodge held at Trenton, Nov. 20th, 1867.

Total number of Lodges in the State, 75, with a joint membership of 6,986, of whom 1,307 were initiated during the year.

The Grand Master congratulates the brethren on the prosperity of the Order, and upon the harmony and zeal which prevails throughout the jurisdiction.

NEW YORK.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of this State was held at Syracuse, on the 20th of August, 1867.

This jurisdiction embraces 195 Lodges, and a membership of 15,000. The Grand Master states that "the Order is in a sound and healthy condition."

NEVADA.

The first Annual Communication of this new jurisdiction was held on the 4th day of June, 1867, at Virginia City. From the reports of the various grand officers, we gather that the jurisdiction is composed of thirteen Lodges, one of which is located at Salt Lake City in Utah. The membership consists of 792, one hundred and sixteen of whom were initiated since the organization of the Grand Lodge on the 21st of January, 1867.

The Order is in a healthy condition, and with every prospect of future success. We have reason to look with pride upon our new sister, and heartily wish her a prosperous future.

Frank V. Drake, of Austin Lodge, No. 9, was elected Grand Master, and R. H. Taylor, of Mount Davidson Lodge, No. 3, Grand Secretary.

OREGON.

The twelfth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held at Portland on the 15th of May, 1867.

There were at that date nineteen Lodges in the jurisdiction, summing up a membership of 924. Two new Lodges were organized, and one revived, during the year; and in the same period, 190 members were initiated.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania was held at Philadelphia, May 21, 1867.

There are 498 Lodges in this jurisdiction, with 59,183 members; 9,505 were initiated during the past year alone.

RHODE ISLAND.

The Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island was held on the 6th of August, 1867, at Providence.

From the report of the Grand Master we learn that the Order in this State is not in the condition it should be. He says:

"In visiting the different Lodges, I find a lack of that fraternal feeling which ought to prevail among us as brothers; and I would urge upon the members of this Grand Lodge to do what they can towards restoring that social feeling so much to be desired among brother Odd Fellows."

There are eleven Lodges in this jurisdiction, with a membership of 645, of which number 79 were initiated during the year.

SOUTH CAROLINA.

The Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of South Carolina was held at Charleston, January 16th, 1867.

This jurisdiction consists of eighteen Lodges, with a membership of 854. There were fifty-seven initiated during the year.

From the reports of the Grand Officers, it appears that the Order is thriving as well as can be expected, considering the disordered state of that section of the country.

TENNESSEE.

The Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of this State was held at Nashville, October 30, 1867.

The Grand Master in his report pays the following tribute to our Order, viz: "The war, now ended, and we trust forever, has shown in many affecting ways the majestic character and intrinsic worth of our beloved Order. It hovered over the bloody battle-field like an Angel of Mercy, dispensing its lovely charities alike to the prisoner, the wounded, and the dying; the fallen brother discovered a friend in the foe, willing to administer to his wants."

There are 65 Lodges in this Jurisdiction, with a membership of 2,757; five hundred and ninety-one of whom were initiated during the year.

WEST VIRGINIA.

The Third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia was held at Clarksburg, April 23d, 1867.

They report thirty-four Lodges, and a membership of 2,061, of whom 395 were initiated during the year.

This, as is the case with nearly all jurisdictions whose reports have been examined by us, is in a most healthy condition.

WISCONSIN.

The Twenty-first Annual Session of the Grand Lodge of this State was held on the 16th of January, 1867, at Milwaukee. Sixty-three Lodges, with a membership of 3,125, constitute the strength of this jurisdiction. Nine hundred and seventeen members were initiated during the year.

COLORADO AND HAWAIIAN ISLANDS.

We have examined the correspondence in the office of our R. W. Grand Secretary, and from it gather—

First—That the Grand Lodge for Colorado was organized at Denver City, on the 30th day of November, 1867, and after the election and installation of officers, and the appointment of committees, adjourned to meet at the same place, on the first Tuesday in February, 1868. We have no information as to the strength and number of Lodges in this new jurisdiction. We, however, welcome our new sister with open arms to the fraternal circle of Grand Lodges, and hope that we may find from the yearly interchange of our report of proceedings that she will meet with that unbounded success which we most cordially and sincerely wish her.

Second—From the report of D. D. G. M., W. C. Parke, of District No. 47, Honolulu, dated January 13th, 1868, we copy the following:

“Since my last report, the Order in these Islands has been in good condition; we have added to our number, and have continued applications for membership, so that I trust we shall soon have our number up to what it was a few years ago. * * * * * We have paid off the debt on our Lodge Hall, and have as nice a building as there is in the place, and we stand to-day in a better position than we have since 1846.

“Perhaps, it may not be known that we are the oldest Lodge in the Pacific, as we were instituted in 1846, and have continued up to the present time. There are at present four members of Excelsior Lodge, who united in 1846, and who have attended the meetings regularly from that time to this.”

AUSTRALIA.

At the eleventh hour, when the foregoing was already in print, and the Grand Lodge about to commence its session, the attention of your Committee was called to proceedings which have resulted in extending the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the United States to the Province of Australia. The application came from, and the proceedings were instituted by, the Grand Lodge of that Province, as far back as 1853. Shortly after, a commission for a special Deputy Grand Sire, was issued in blank by the Grand Lodge of the United States, and sent to T. Rodgers Johnson, R. W. Grand Secretary of this jurisdiction, with power and instructions to him to fill in the name of some suitable member of the Order to carry out its objects. No opportunity offered until September 10, 1867, when Bro. F. G. R., A. D. Meacham consented at the request of Bro. Johnson to accept the appointment; his name was accordingly filled in the commission, and he was thereby appointed a Special Deputy Grand Sire, for the purpose of conferring with the brethren of that remote jurisdiction, and bringing about their complete affiliation with the Order in the United States. Brother Meacham arrived in Melbourne on the 8th day of November last, and his mission has already been crowned with complete success. On the 22d day of February last, a special Grand Lodge was convened at the city of Geelong, in Australia. Nearly the whole jurisdiction was largely represented; and, after a full discussion, it was resolved, by almost unanimous vote, to affiliate with the Grand Lodge of the United States.

We have no time to comment now upon this extraordinary proceeding. The bare suggestion opens up a vast field for thought and reflection; and the influences which this new tie will have upon the future moral, social and even commercial interests of the two countries so widely separated, can not be estimated in an hour or a day.

We hail the event with profound delight. It is a grand illustration of the influence and vitality of Odd Fellowship, as its principles are recognized and practiced in the United States, and we extend to our brethren of Australia the hand of fraternal greeting.

To our Bro. Meacham every Odd Fellow owes a debt of gratitude, for the prudent, faithful, and successful management of a most delicate task.

With this ends our labor. Your committee regret that they have not had the time to expatiate more largely upon each report of proceedings submitted to them, but their other engagements prevented them.

In conclusion, they find pleasure in being able to say, that from the cursory examination their limited time has permitted them to make, they find the Order is rapidly augmenting, and daily becoming more prominent and influential.

Respectfully submitted.

ADOLPHUS D. GRIMWOOD,
L. E. PRATT,
T. RODGERS JOHNSON.

On motion of Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, the several foregoing reports were referred to the Committee on Grand Master's report, for distribution of subjects contained in them.

Rep. Sargent, from the Committee on Appeals, made the following reports, and moved that the same lie on the table, and be printed:

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.
of the State of California:*

HARMONY LODGE, No. 13, *Respondent*,
vs.
E. J. PFEIFFER, *Appellant*.

This appeal is taken to test the legality of a fine, imposed on appellant for non-attendance at the funeral of a brother, after due notice. The By-Laws of Harmony Lodge provide a penalty for non-performance of this duty; but excuse for non-attendance when a brother is absent from the city. At the Lodge meeting, when Brother Pfeiffer was fined, he admitted, in answer to a question of the N. G., that he was duly notified, and that he left the city on the very day of the funeral. He refused to say whether he left on business or not. If he left on business, or in accordance with a previous engagement, he was excusable. The Lodge could only know this, perhaps, by his own statement, and was willing to take his word for it. His refusal to answer very naturally leaves the impression that he left to avoid performing the duty.

enjoined by the By-Laws; and the Lodge seems justified in imposing the fine. We recommend that its action be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
J. B. HARMON,
H. J. TILDEN,
T. R. KIBBE,

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

P. G. LIVY SWAN, *Appellant*,
vs.
MOUNT SHASTA LODGE, No. 70, *Respondent*. }

The Committee on Appeals respectfully report: This is a case of appeal from a judgment of acquittal. Bro. Swan, of Yreka Lodge, No. 19, presented charges against a brother of Mount Shasta Lodge, which were not sustained. We entertain the appeal on the principles announced at the last session of this Grand Lodge, in the case of Hiller *vs.* Cohn. For the reasons given in that decision, we cannot consider the question raised by the appeal, that the verdict is contrary to the testimony.

Two questions of law are raised by the appeal: First—The complainant objected in open Lodge, and before the Committee, to several members of the Committee, because, as he alleged, they had formed and expressed an unqualified opinion in the case. No evidence of such bias or prejudice was produced; and the brothers, being interrogated in open Lodge, asserted severally, on the honor of Odd Fellows, that they had not formed or expressed any such opinion. There was no error in requiring them to serve on the Committee. If the complainant had any evidence of the matter alleged, he should have produced it to the Lodge, and for such purpose, if desired, time would undoubtedly have been given to him.

Second—On the incoming of the report, when it came up for action, the members of the Committee voted for its adoption. We do not feel called upon to pass upon the question, whether this was proper or not, as it could not have prejudiced appellant. There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Lodge when the report was adopted, and not one dissenting vote to its adoption. The votes of the members of the Committee could not have changed the result.

We recommend that the appeal be dismissed.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
H. J. TILDEN,
T. R. KIBBE,
J. B. HARMON.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge I. O. O. F.
of the State of California :

OROVILLE LODGE, No. 59, *Respondent*,
vs.
P. G., D. EVANS, *Appellant*. }

In this case it is conceded by appellant and respondent that, after the tes-

timony of the prosecution was in, the committee adjourned for two weeks, to give the accused an opportunity to present his evidence; that the committee never afterwards met for the purpose, and the reports of the majority and minority of the Trial Committee were made on the testimony of the prosecution alone; and that the action of the Lodge was had suspending the appellant, notwithstanding his strenuous objection on this ground. It is urged to us in the brief of the Lodge that the brother is so obviously guilty that any attempt to prove himself innocent would be useless, and hence he could not have been injured by the refusal or neglect to hear his witnesses. We cannot bring ourselves to this view of the matter. He has a right to produce his testimony, and the opportunity must be afforded him. "The utmost good faith must be preserved in such cases, the utmost liberality be observed to facilitate the ascertainment of the truth." (See *Suisun Lodge vs. Powers*, Proceedings 1867, p. 331.) We recommend that the judgment of the Lodge be reversed, and the case be sent back for a new trial.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
T. R. KIBBE,
J. B. HARMON,
H. J. TILDEN.

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

JACKSON LODGE, No. 36, Respondent, }
vs. }
E. S. HALL, P. G., Appellant. }

The papers in this case are extremely voluminous, and there is much irrelevant testimony, which came in without exception. Two errors are alleged: First—That the verdict is contrary to the evidence; Second—That certain documentary evidence was not produced by the accuser until it was too late to rebut it. The first objection is clearly unsupported by the transcript on appeal. If the evidence were less conclusive, we should hesitate to disturb the judgment on this ground. The Lodge has an opportunity to ascertain the character of witnesses, and know the weight to be given to their testimony. We can only judge by the record, which often gives no light on such matters. Only in cases of obvious insufficiency of testimony, would we interfere on this ground with the judgment of the Lodge.

The second objection is apparently founded on a mistake of fact, and would be without merit were it not. If the defendant wished the evidence referred to, he should have asked the aid of the Trial Committee to procure it. This he did not do. But the evidence appears in the report in its legitimate place. We cannot assume that the record is erroneous. We recommend the affirmation of the judgment.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
J. B. HARMON,
H. J. TILDEN,
T. R. KIBBE.

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

EXCELSIOR LODGE, No. 1., SANDWICH ISLANDS, Respondent, }
vs. }
A. C. BUFFUM, Appellant. }

Two errors are assigned in this case:

1st. "The charge and specification is informal—insufficient to apprise me of the nature of offense to enable me to prepare for the defense."

2d. That the Trial Committee "were all Past Grands, and not my peers in the Order."

Both exceptions were taken after trial, conviction, and sentence. In his bill of exceptions appellant states that, at the date of the filing of the charges and appointment of the Trial Committee, he "felt perfectly indifferent as to the informality of the charges, or who were placed on the committee." That indifference, no matter from what cause, as it prevented his taking his exceptions in time, is fatal to his appeal. This Grand Lodge has repeatedly ruled that exceptions to charges or to the appointment of Committees must be made at the time, or be deemed waived—that neither party shall fish for a verdict, and not getting it, object to the jury or charges. *Kendall vs. Eureka Lodge*, 1 Cal. 121, 132; *Forest City Lodge vs. Gould*, 2 Cal. 153, 154. This disposes of the case. But we remark that the charges are sufficient to present the accused as guilty of a gross offense; and the Trial Committee was not only chosen from the peers of the accused, but from his superiors. The Constitution designs that members shall not be tried by their inferiors in the Order, whose lack of experience or jealousy of rank may pervert the judgment. It is absurd to say that a Scarlet Degree member is ineligible to serve on the Trial Committee of an initiatory member, or a Past Grand on that of a Scarlet Degree member.

We recommend that the judgment of the Lodge below be affirmed.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
J. B. HARMON,
T. R. KIBBE.
H. J. TILDEN.

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

CHICO LODGE, No. 113, Respondent, }
vs. }
T. F. JOHNSON, Defendant, }
I. D. WATSON, Appellant. }

This is an appeal from a verdict of acquittal. The objections to the report of testimony made by the Committee are not sustained by the record. The only objection made to the reception of the report in the Lodge below was that the labors of the Committee were performed on Sunday. Except the inferential statement in the bill of exceptions, that this was so, your Committee have no means of knowing that such was the fact. But, assuming it to be so, while we condemn Lodge or committee action on the Sabbath as inexpedient and im-

proper, when it can possibly be avoided, we do not deem it a cause of reversal of a judgment otherwise righteous. We see no error in this case calling for a new trial, and therefore recommend that the judgment of acquittal be affirmed.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
J. B. HARMON,
H. J. TILDEN,
T. R. KIBBE.

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

CHICO LODGE, No. 113, Respondent, }
vs. }
E. NATHAN, Appellant. }

This appeal is taken from a sentence of expulsion. The charge was the sending a communication to the Lodge claiming benefits when none were due, falsely representing the duration of the time during which he was treated by a physician, and refusal to pay the bill of one Bowman for services as day nurse; these particulars of the charge being grouped under the convenient heading of "Conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow." The report of the Trial Committee finds the brother guilty of "conduct," etc., but does not state which of the specifications is proven. The appellant states the following grounds of appeal:

- 1st. The evidence does not warrant the verdict.
- 2d. The offense charged is not sustained by the evidence.
- 3d. Accurate minutes of proceedings of the committee were not kept; my objections to the committee were not entered in the minutes of proceedings.
- 4th. My objections to and demand for a new committee were disregarded.
- 5th. The penalty is excessive.

We reproduce this bill of exceptions, because it presents a fair illustration of a difficulty in the way of your committee arriving in at a correct judgment of the nature of the proceedings of Trial Committees and Subordinate Lodges. The third and fourth exceptions are probably founded on some facts more or less important, but we have no means of knowing what they are. As this difficulty is of frequent occurrence, we suggest that appellants present to the Trial Committee, and if they refuse to settle it, to the Lodge, a statement of the adverse rulings of the Trial Committee, for settlement. A sense of fairness of the Lodges, indeed of Trial Committees, will induce the authentication of a fair settlement in such cases, and we then can judge of the legality of the rulings. If both Committee and Lodge refuse to settle a statement fairly, the appellant should file with the Lodge, as part of his appeal papers, a statement supported by his own verification and that of other brothers present who understand the matter as he does. But usually all difficulty will be avoided by having the ruling entered as soon as made in the minutes of the Trial Committee or of the Lodge.

In this case the record of testimony is a curious mixture of interrogations of the accused, and evidence to contradict and sustain him. We think the evidence is totally inadequate to make out a criminal intention, or even wrongful

act, on the part of Bro. Nathan. He claimed six weeks' benefits when strictly he was not entitled to any, being able to be about his store and attend to the lighter labors of his calling, as collecting accounts, etc. At most it was an error of judgment on his part. He had been sick before, seriously so, and had drawn benefits. During that sickness, as appears, without his request, one Bowman was employed by the officers of the Lodge to watch with him in the day time as he was very ill and his wife worn out. It seems he did not afterwards consider himself liable to Bowman for these services, and expected the Lodge to pay for them. He may have been wrong in this, and perhaps obstinate; but it seems to have been a difference of opinion, with some heat on both sides. We cannot tell from the transcript whether he or the Lodge paid the bill. Perhaps he was not wrong in refusing to pay the bill, incurred without his request, and greatly increasing the cost of his sickness. We do not feel called upon to decide that matter, but we hold that such refusal was no ground for a criminal charge. The testimony of the physician as to the time during which he attended Bro. Nathan corroborates Bro. Nathan's original statement, sufficiently, at least, to remove any suspicion of falsehood.

In our judgment, this is one of those cases where the evidence falls so far short of sustaining the judgment that it is our duty to review the case on that ground and recommend the reversal of the judgment. The penalty is undoubtedly excessive. The expulsion of the brother under the circumstances was a "gross abuse" of its power by the Lodge. We recommend that the case be sent back for a new trial.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
H. J. TILDEN,
J. B. HARMON,
T. R. KIBBE.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion, laid on the table.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge, be, and he is hereby instructed to have printed in the appendix to the Proceedings, annually, a list of all the members of the several Lodges, under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, arranged alphabetically, as reported in the annual returns of Subordinates, in the numerical order of Lodges.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved that the Grand Representatives exemplify the Secret Work Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock.

Carried.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to instruct the Grand Secretary to prepare a separate roll call, including all Representatives entitled to mileage; and that said roll be called twice daily.

Rep. Korn, of No. 105, moved to amend, by striking out twice and inserting once.

The amendment was lost, and the resolution was adopted.

P. G. Joseph Elfelt, of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, was introduced by Reps. McClelland, Soher and Kibbe—a committee appointed for that purpose—and welcomed to this Grand Lodge.

Rep. Mysell, of No. 13, submitted the following resolution, and moved to lay it on the table, and make it the special order for Wednesday, at 10 o'clock A. M.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

The undersigned, representatives of Harmony Lodge, No. 13, Germania Lodge, No. 116, Concordia Lodge, No. 122, in compliance with instructions of said Lodges, offer the following resolutions for the consideration and action of this R. W. Grand Lodge:

Resolved, That the resolution found on page 334, offered by Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, at the last session of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and all subsequent action thereon, be, and is hereby rescinded.

Resolved, That the assessment levied under said resolution, known as the Representative Fund, be, and shall hereby be known as the Odd Fellows' College Fund.

Signed Fraternally Yours,

JOS. G. MYSELL,
F. STAUD,
G. MOENNING,
CHR. K. ZIMMER,
JOS. MEYER,
JOHN BOHN,

M. SELIG,
H. BUETTNER,
CHAS. DOERGER,
G. MEYER,
GEO. FRITSCH,
JOHN VON STADEN,

H. AHRENS.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, moved to indefinitely postpone the resolution.

Carried.

Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, offered the following resolution;

Resolved, That no Representative be allowed to speak more than five minutes, nor more than once upon any one question, unless by unanimous consent of the Grand Lodge.

Rep. Meeker, of No. 123, moved to lay the resolution on the table until Thursday morning.

Rep. McKune, of No. 8, moved to make it a special order for Thursday, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Lost.

Rep. McClelland, moved to lay the motion temporarily on the table.

Carried.

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, offered the following resolution, which was adopted :

WHEREAS, The fiftieth anniversary of the introduction of Odd Fellowship into the United States will occur before the next Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge, and deeming it eminently proper for this Grand Lodge to take some steps for the observance of that day, commensurate with its position in the history of our Order; therefore,

Resolved, That a special committee of five members, be appointed, for the purpose of taking this matter into consideration, and report at this session what action would be appropriate for this Grand Body to take in the premises.

The Grand Master appointed the following committee on said resolution :

Rep. ALEXANDER, of No. 15,
Rep. DANNALS, of No. 67,
Rep. HILL, of No. 87,
Rep. ROBERTS, of No. 12,
Rep. HARMON, of No. 123.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved, that so much of the Grand Master's report as refers to the Suisun Lodge appeal case and memorials, be referred to the Committee on Appeals.

Carried.

On motion, at 4 o'clock, the Grand Lodge adjourned until Wednesday morning, at 9 o'clock.

SECOND DAY OF SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 6TH, 1868, }
 9 o'clock, A. M. }

PRESENT :

The following named Grand Officers :

- CHAS. N. FOX,.....*M. W. Grand Master.*
- C. S. HASWELL,.....*R. W. Deputy Grand Master.*
- S. W. BROCKWAY,.....*R. W. Grand Warden.*
- T. RODGERS JOHNSON,.....*R. W. Grand Secretary.*
- PHILO WHITE.....*R. W. Grand Treasurer pro tem.*
- C. W. DANNALS, }
 J. A. McCLELLAND, }*R. W. Grand Representatives.*
- DAVID BEEKER,.....*Worthy Grand Chaplain pro tem.*
- D. B. WOOLF,.....*Worthy Grand Marshal.*
- M. W. SHUSTER,.....*Worthy Grand Conductor pro tem.*
- C. C. SMITH.....*Worthy Grand Guardian.*
- FRANKLIN WILLIAMS,.....*Worthy Grand Herald.*

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by Worthy Grand Chaplain.

By consent, Rep. Tilden, of No. 124, from Committee on Distribution of subjects in Grand Master's Report, was permitted to present a supplementary report from said Committee; and, on motion, the same was adopted.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON GRAND OFFICERS' REPORTS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
 of the State of California :*

Your Committee, to whom was referred the reports of our Most Worthy Grand Master, Grand Representatives, Grand Secretary, and Parker Monument Committee, to distribute the subjects therein contained, respectfully submit the following:

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

First—So much as refers to G. L. of Nevada, decisions made by G. M., D. D. G. M., and electioneering, is referred to the Committee on State of the Order.

Second—So much as refers to records of Subordinate Lodges, Degree Lodges, and Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, to Committee on Legislation.

Third—So much as refers to Correspondence, to Committee on Correspondence.

Fourth—So much as refers to Orphans' Home College, Grand Lodge of Australia, and acknowledgments of thanks to various Companies for courtesies, to Special Committee of three, to be appointed by the Chair.

Fifth—So much as refers to Suisun Lodge, to Committee on Appeals.

Sixth—So much as refers to Parker Monument, to Special Committee of three, to be appointed by the Chair.

Seventh—So much as refers to the death of P. G. M. James A. J. Bohlen, and others, to G. M. Fox, S. W. Brockway and Rep. McKune.

Eighth—So much as refers to portrait of Grand Secretary, to the Grand Master to procure the same.

The Grand Secretary's report, we refer to the Finance Committee.

The Grand Representatives' report, we refer to the Committee on the State of the Order.

The report of the Committee on the Parker Monument, we refer to a Special Committee of three, to be appointed by the Chair.

The other subjects referred to in reports, we deem do not require any special reference, and we recommend their adoption.

H. S. GATES,
H. J. TILDEN,
GEO. M. GARWOOD,
J. H. GAROTHERS,
PHILO. WHITE.

In conformity with the above recommendations, the Grand Master appointed the following Special Committees :

On Orphan Home, Grand Lodge of Australia, etc:

P. G. M., J. A. McCLELLAND,
Rep. A. C. BRADFORD,
Rep. J. O. WANZER.

On Subject of Parker Monument:

Grand Sec'y T. RODGERS JOHNSON,
Rep. SAMUEL CROSS,
Rep. A. B. ASHER.

The Journal of yesterday was read, and, on motion of Rep. White, of No. 3, approved.

Rep. Soher, from Committee on Credentials, announced J. M. Cox as representative from No. 77, without credentials; also, presented a certificate for mileage, transferred from J. W. Frost.

Rep. Estee, of No. 123, moved that he be admitted as a representative. Adopted.

Roll of representatives entitled to mileage being called, the following were noted present :

No. 2.—Harris, Len	No. 56.—Taylor, Edward F.
4.—Fisher, John	57.—McDonald, Chas.
5.—Brind, C.	58.—Murdock, E.
6.—Farrington, H. S.	59.—Brooks, Max.
7.—Jamison, Thomas	61.—Young, Frank W.
9.—Willow, Elias	62.—Boyd, Samuel P.
10.—Ryland, P. J. C.	63.—Hitchcock, Thomas
11.—Gnekow, R. G.	64.—Piper, J. J.
12.—Smith, C. C.	65.—Greafell, Wm.
14.—Diltz, Joseph	66.—Hopkins, E. B.
16.—Sargent, A. A.	68.—Hunt, C. A.
18.—Brown, W. R.	70.—Rosborough, Alex. M.
19.—Hearne, F. G.	73.—Long, Henry
20.—Simonton, Adams	74.—Sieg, Fred.
21.—Beauvais, A. B.	76.—Townsend, A.
22.—Sanborn, L. B.	77.—Cox, J. M.
24.—Weil, John	78.—Wilson, Valentine
25.—Halsey, Isaac S.	79.—Charville, F. A.
27.—Brockway, S. H.	80.—Barnes, B. W.
28.—Cook, J. L.	81.—Parker, Samuel
30.—Warner, G.	82.—Cutting, Charles B.
31.—Brown, J. A.	84.—Tolley, Charles W.
32.—Johnson, J. A.	85.—Whaley, John A.
33.—King, Geo. W.	87.—Smith, Jas. E.
34.—Gregory, John H.	89.—Roelke, Geo. H.
35.—Stanley, J. Q. A.	90.—Hofbrook, L. D.
37.—Jackson, I. P.	92.—Whitelaw, Jas.
38.—Barrett, Adam	94.—Levy, Julius
39.—Harris, John F.	96.—Bender, Edward
41.—Dickinson, John J.	97.—Atler, John.
43.—Brady, F.	98.—Rutan, John
44.—Zumalt, Joel H.	100.—Sheets, E. W.
45.—Bradley, John C.	102.—Tarr, P. R.
46.—Barker, Wm. C.	105.—Heilbron, A.
47.—Freer, Leon	106.—Barker, Aaron
48.—Atwater, Henry	108.—Parker, A. P.
49.—Hendel, Chas. W.	109.—Shelley, John
50.—Fowler, Wm. S.	110.—Miller, Samuel
51.—Fox, Wm. H.	111.—Wyckhoff, N.
52.—Billings, J. M.	113.—Wallraven, G. W.
53.—McClelland, J. J.	115.—Green, Robert S.
54.—Lown, Martin M.	117.—Carothers, J. H.
55.—Brown, Alram B.	119.—Ward, H. J.

No. 125.—Penhall, J.
 126.—Beaker, John
 127.—McFarland, D. A.
 128.—Williams, John H.
 130.—Kasey, Wm.
 133.—Stinchfield, M.
 134.—Wagner, P. B.

No. 135.—Spaulding, Z. N.
 136.—Robinson, Henry
 137.—Davis, Thos. M.
 138.—Benjamin, S.
 139.—Walcott, U. S.
 143.—Sonedecker, S. W.
 Vict. 1.—Drummond, J. S.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

Resolved, That where any subordinate Lodge has failed to designate a representative who shall be entitled to draw mileage, and but one representative shall be present from such Lodge, the name of such representative shall be entered on the special roll, as the representative entitled to mileage in such case.

Rep. Soher, of No. 44, submitted the following resolution, which, on motion, was referred to the Legislative Committee :

Resolved, That this R. W. Grand Lodge recommend that all Lodges in this jurisdiction are earnestly requested to abolish the custom of making the office of Recording Secretary a stepping-stone to the office of V. G., etc., but to elect a competent brother, well qualified to keep the records and the transactions of the Lodge, paying him for such services as the Lodge may see fit, and retain him, or rather re-elect him, as long as he is willing to serve.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, submitted the following queries, for the consideration of the Grand Lodge of the United States, which, on motion, were laid on the table.

I respectfully present the following question for the consideration and decision of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, and ask the authorization of this R. W. Grand Lodge, for the presentation of the same through our Grand Representatives to the next annual session of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, to wit:

Is a brother qualified and eligible for the chair of N. G., who has lost his right hand, or whose right hand has been so injured that its natural use has been seriously impaired?

Rep. Garwood, of No. 17, from Finance Committee, submitted the following report :

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

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

of the State of California:

The Committee on Finance, to whom was referred the books and vouchers of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and other documents relative to the finances of this Body, respectfully report that they have examined the same, and find the accounts correct in every particular.

GEORGE M. GARWOOD,
 JOHN H. GREGORY,
 HENRY B. BROOKS.

Laid on the table.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, from Committee on Appeals, submitted the following reports, which were received and laid on the table :

REPORTS OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.
of the State of California:*

L. T. COGSWELL, }
vs. }
HOPE LODGE, No. 33. }

We see no errors in this case; and as the evidence fully justifies the finding and judgment in the Subordinate Lodge, we recommend that the judgment appealed from, be affirmed.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
H. J. TILDEN,
J. B. HARMON,
T. R. KIBBE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.
of the State of California:*

BROOKLYN LODGE, No. 46, I. O. O. F., }
vs. }
DANIEL HENDERSON. }

This is an appeal by complainant from the judgment of the Lodge, imposing a fine of ten dollars and reprimand upon Bro. Henderson, for conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow, in using language of a slanderous character in regard to a brother, on the ground—

- 1st. That the report was acted upon the same night it was reported.
- 2d. Because the punishment is too light for the offense committed.

There are three counts in the complaint. The last two were objected to as too indefinite, and the objections sustained, we think properly, as no time or place is stated in the charges. To the first defendant plead guilty. It is a very grave charge, and one which would have warranted the Lodge in inflicting a much heavier punishment than was imposed; but we deem that a matter solely for the Lodge to decide.

We cannot, without taking upon ourselves the right to try and punish offending brothers (which we cannot do), control the action of the Lodge in this respect.

The offending brother having expressly waived time, there was no error in acting upon the report of the committee the same night it was submitted.

The judgment is affirmed.

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
H. J. TILDEN,
T. R. KIBBE,
J. B. HARMON.

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, from Committee on Laws of Subordinates, submitted the following report, which was received and laid on the table.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS OF SUBORDINATES.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

The Committee on Laws of Subordinates would respectfully submit the following report:

Since the last session of this Grand Lodge, your Committee have had submitted to them, for examination, the By-Laws of Lodges of this Jurisdiction, numbered as follows : Nos. 4, 6, 8, 12, 29, 50, 99, 109, 125, 131, 133, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, and Excelsior Lodge, No. 1, Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands; also, amendments to the By-Laws of a large number of other Lodges, all of which we approved, after such necessary alterations as were required in some cases to make them conform to existing law.

The By-Laws of the Lodge in Honolulu contained one section, that impressed the Committee so favorably, that they quote it entire, and commend its provisions to the favorable consideration of the other Lodges in this Jurisdiction; which section reads as follows, viz :

“ A Monitory Committee, to consist of three members, shall be chosen by ballot at the last regular meeting in December, to serve for one year, whose duty it shall be to receive notice of the departure of any brother from the path of rectitude required by the principles of the Order, and to remonstrate privately with him, in order to restore him to his former position. And every brother shall consider it incumbent upon him to report to this Committee any case of an erring brother that may come to his knowledge, without giving publicity to it in or out of the Lodge. The Committee shall hold the names of the party or parties giving information inviolable, but may summon them as witnesses, in case of a Trial Committee being appointed. Should the Committee fail in effecting a reform, it shall be their duty to bring such charges against the erring as they deem necessary. In cases where differences may exist between brothers, they shall be referred to this Committee for settlement, if possible; but, in case a brother may deem himself aggrieved by their decision, he may appeal to the Lodge.”

Your Committee have reason to believe that, in some instances, Lodges adopt amendments to their By-Laws, which are never submitted to the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, for approval; and in examining the By-Laws of eighty Lodges in this Jurisdiction, recently received at the office of the R. W. Grand Secretary, we find that in three cases they contain no evidence that they were ever examined or approved by the Committee appointed by the Grand Lodge for that purpose.

It is believed by the Committee, that some of the Lodges are not conversant with all the provisions of the Constitution of Subordinates, especially with the more recent amendments, as their printed copies, published prior to such amendments, do not contain them; and we would, therefore, recommend that the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to have printed, in the usual form, 1,000 of copies of the Constitution of Subordinates, embracing all amendments up to, and including any that may be made at this session of the Grand Lodge,

and forward one copy of the same to each D. D. Grand Master and two copies to each Subordinate Lodge in this Jurisdiction, as soon as practicable after the close of this session.

Several Lodges make provision in their By-Laws for the institution and government of a Lodge Library, which we take pleasure in commending.

In submitting our report, we follow the precedent of former Committees, in not reporting the changes made by the Committee, before approval, in the By-Laws examined by us. But one instance we deem of sufficient importance to mention in this report, wherein we refused to approve that portion of the By-Laws of a Lodge relating to the granting of benefits to sick members, which contained a provision that none but members of the Fifth, or Scarlet Degree, should be entitled to receive sick benefits. We referred the Lodge to such law as had a bearing upon the case, and gave it as our opinion, that a Lodge must make provision in its By-Laws for the payment of benefits (however nominal the sum) to all its members in good standing, who, from sickness or accident, might be deprived of earning a livelihood. The Lodge changed the objectionable provision, and we approved the By-Laws.

In some instances, we have had to return to the Lodge proposed amendments, as no certificate from the Rec. Sec. accompanied the same, to show they had ever been acted upon by the Lodge, or they were not authenticated by the Lodge Seal as they should have been.

Your Committee have had occasion, during the past year, to examine the By-Laws of a large number of Subordinate Lodges in this Jurisdiction, and have found such a great diversity in regard to the manner in which they are framed, the style and quantity of matter contained, the defects in some, and useless repetitions of the provisions of the Constitution in others, that we think it would be of great benefit to the various Lodges, if this Grand Lodge would cause to be prepared a suitable code of By-Laws, to be recommended to the Subordinates for adoption by them, whenever they need a new supply (or request the Lodges to adopt the same), leaving suitable blanks for local requirements, dues, benefits, etc. We believe that thereby a greater uniformity and efficiency would ensue in the work of the Order in this Jurisdiction. The practical experience attained to by some might then be availed of for the benefit of all. A code of By-Laws would be framed more simple and concise, yet more complete than most now in use. And there would be a great saving of expense to the Lodges, for the amount of matter would probably be less than generally contained in By-Laws at present; and, after the form was once prepared, it could remain in type, or be stereotyped, so that copies could at any time be obtained, by filling the necessary blanks, at comparatively small cost. Orders could be filled at once, without vexatious delay or typographical mistakes; and the necessity which now exists, of submitting every amendment to the Grand Lodge for approval, would in a great measure be avoided. And if the Grand Lodge should adopt a code of By-Laws for the government of Subordinates, if no more than recommendatory in character, it would prevent much of the frequent changing of the laws that exists under the present system.

For the foregoing reasons, we submit the following resolution, and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three be appointed by the Grand Master, to prepare a model code of By-Laws for the government of Subordinate Lodges, and report the same for the consideration of this Grand Lodge at its next annual session.

L. L. ALEXANDER,
 •D. McLAREN,
 JAMES DAVIS,
 H. A. SCOFIELD,

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, from Special Committee on subject of Fiftieth Anniversary, presented the following, which was received and laid on the table.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

The special committee, to whom was referred the resolution relative to the Fiftieth Anniversary of our Order, would respectfully report that we have had the subject matter of the resolution under consideration, and submit the following preamble and resolutions for the action of the Grand Lodge:

WHEREAS, On the 26th day of April, A. D. 1869, half a century will have passed away since the banner of Odd Fellowship was unfurled upon this continent by the first standard-bearer of our Order, Thomas Willey, whose self-sacrificing devotion to the interests of our great Brotherhood will cause his name ever to remain green in our memories; and as this is the last Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge before the occurrence of that anniversary day, we deem it a fitting opportunity to express as a Body our united and heartfelt thanks to the Supreme Ruler of the Universe, for the signal manifestations of his approbation and fostering care of an Order second to no other human institution for the good it has done and is destined to accomplish in the amelioration of the condition of man; and believing it to be due and becoming in us to publicly acknowledge, as an Order, in this jurisdiction, so highly favored of God, our feelings of gratitude for mercies past, and dependence for wisdom to guide in the future, we consider it would be eminently proper that the whole Order should set apart and devote that day in our history as one of thanksgiving, praise, and rejoicing.

Therefore, be it Resolved, That the several Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction be and they are hereby requested to observe the Fiftieth Anniversary of our Order, by setting apart that day for special thanksgiving and praise to Almighty God, and a day of rejoicing in our Order throughout our borders, by the members abstaining from their usual avocations, and assembling as Lodges in their several localities, or where Lodges are contiguous, by uniting at some central point, and celebrating the day by public procession, oration, and such other demonstrations and exercises as may be appropriate to the occasion.

Resolved, That the M. W. Grand Master be and is hereby requested to issue his proclamation in accordance with the foregoing resolution, granting all Lodges and assemblies of Odd Fellows in this jurisdiction permission to appear in full regalia upon that occasion.

L. L. ALEXANDER,
E. W. ROBERTS,
J. B. HARMON,
WM. H. HILL,
C. W. DANNALS.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to take from the table the reports of Committee on Appeals, in their order.

Carried.

Harmony Lodge, No. 13, Respondent, vs. E. J. Pfeiffer, Appellant, (page 465,) was, on motion of Rep. Louderback, of No. 15, adopted.

P. G., Livy Swan, Appellant, vs. Mount Shasta Lodge, No. 70, Respondent, (page 466,) was, on motion of Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, adopted.

Oroville Lodge, No. 59, Respondent, vs. P. G., D. Evans, Appellant, (page 466,) was, on motion of Rep. Selig, of No. 13, adopted.

Jackson Lodge, No. 36, Respondent, vs. E. S. Hall, P. G., Appellant, (page 467,) was, on motion of Rep. Levy, of No. 94, adopted.

Excelsior Lodge, No. 1, Sandwich Islands, Respondent, vs. A. C. Buffum, Appellant, (page 468,) was, on motion of Rep. Swain, of No. 3, adopted.

Chico Lodge, No. 113, Respondent, vs. T. F. Johnson, Defendant, J. D. Watson, Appellant, (page 468,) was, on motion of Rep. Whiting, of No. 17, adopted.

Chico Lodge, No. 113, Respondent, vs. E. Nathan, Appellant, (page 469,) was, on motion of Rep. Ward, of No. 119, adopted.

Rep. Mysell, of No. 13, moved to reconsider the vote by which the appeal case emanating from Suisun Lodge, No. 78, was referred to the Committee on Appeals, and that the same be referred to a special committee. Lost.

Rep. Benjamin, of No. 112, submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted :

Resolved, That the Junior Past Grand in all subordinate Lodges be required to commit to memory his charge, and deliver it without reading from the book.

Rep. Willow, of No. 9, submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, referred to the Legislative Committee :

Resolved, That we repeal that portion of the resolution of the Grand Lodge which requires Secretaries of Subordinate Lodges to enter on the minutes, in full, all communications received from the Grand Master, Grand Secretary, and D. D. Grand Master, and that the Secretary enter merely the receipt and a synopsis of the same.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, submitted the following amendment to the Constitution of Subordinates, which was referred to the Legislative Committee :

I propose to amend Sec. 3 of Article 3 of the Constitution of Subordinates, by substituting the word "District" for the word "County," where it occurs in the third line of said section.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, submitted the following amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, which, on motion of Rep. Robinson, of No. 124, was referred to the Legislative Committee, with instructions to report to-day :

Resolved, That Sec. 1 of Article 2 of the Constitution of this Grand Lodge be, and the same is hereby amended, by striking out the words "first Tuesday in May," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Fourth Tuesday in July."

Resolved, That the foregoing amendment shall take effect, and be in force, from and after its approval by the E. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, and that when the same so becomes operative, the M. W. Grand Master shall, by proclamation, notify the several Subordinate Lodges in this Jurisdiction thereof.

Rep. Pidwell, of No. 17, submitted the following amendment to Constitution of Subordinates, which, on motion, was referred to the Legislative Committee :

I move to amend the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, by striking out Section 6 of Article 6, from said Constitution.

Rep. Pidwell, of No. 17, submitted the following resolution, which was laid on the the table under the rule :

Resolved, That when this R. W. Grand Lodge adjourns this day, it adjourn *sine die*.

Rep. Saalburg, of No. 116, submitted the following resolution, which, on motion of Rep. Garwood, of No. 17, was laid on the table :

Resolved, That Germania Lodge, No. 116, I. O. O. F., be required to transmit forthwith to the Grand Secretary, a certified transcript of all charges, reports, evidence and proceedings of said Lodge relating to the case of Germania Lodge, No. 116, on complaint of Bro. I. Frank vs. S. F. Herrguth, and that the Grand Secretary transmit the same to the Committee on Appeals, for the Committee's investigation and consideration, with instructions to recommend to this R. W. Grand Lodge such action as justice may require.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary forthwith forward a copy of these resolutions to said Germania Lodge, No. 116.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, moved that the Committee on Mileage be instructed to allow representatives designated an amount sufficient to cover the actual expenses in coming to and going from the Grand Lodge, and while in the city.

Rep. Whiting, of No. 17, offered as a substitute, that they be instructed to pay the expenses to and from the Grand Lodge.

Rep. Meeker, of 123, moved to lay the whole subject on the table.

Carried.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to reconsider the vote by which the secret session was to be held this evening.

Carried.

And further moved to meet in secret session on Thursday evening, at eight o'clock.

Carried.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, proposed amendment to Constitution of Grand Lodge as follows, which was referred to the Committee on Legislation.

I propose to amend Section 1 of Article II, by striking out the word "State," in line ten of printed Constitution of Subordinates, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "*jurisdiction*."

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, submitted the following resolution, which on motion, was adopted;

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be authorized to invite proposals from printers, for furnishing, at each session of this R. W. Grand Lodge, five hundred copies of the daily proceedings, to be furnished each day at nine o'clock A. M.; and also two thousand copies of the Journal, bound in paper, as heretofore; the same to be furnished as soon as practicable after the close of the session; and that the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to contract for such printing with the lowest and best bidder; *provided*, that the Grand Secretary may reject all bids deemed by him too high.

At seven minutes before 12 o'clock, on motion the Grand Lodge adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION,
2 o'clock. }

Grand Lodge called to Order.

Representatives McClelland, Porter and Alexander were appointed to examine and introduce Past Grand W. L. L. Pierce as a visitor from the Grand Lodge of Indiana.

The M. W. Grand Master submitted the following supplementary report, which, on motion, was adopted :

SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 6th, 1868.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of California :

I beg leave to call your attention to the fact that, in the fire which destroyed the furniture, regalia, etc., of Samaritan Lodge, No. 126, noticed in my annual report, the charter of that Lodge was also destroyed. A new or duplicate charter should be issued to them.

I notice, also, that no reference has been made of the subject of granting charters to the ten new Lodges organized during the past year. Nor has any reference been made of the application of Pilot Peak Lodge, No. 91, for aid.

I reconmend that all these subjects be referred to the Committee on Petitions.

CHAS. N. FOX, *Grand Master.*

Rep. Kozminsky, of No. 71, submitted the following, which, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, was laid on the table :

Resolved, That Sec. 3 of Article 2 of the Constitution of this R. W. Grand Lodge be so amended as to read as follows:

Sec. 3. Every Subordinate Lodge shall be entitled in this Grand Lodge to one Representative for its charter, and one for every fifty members, and one for every fraction exceeding twenty members in good standing.

Rep. Monell, of No. 124, presented the following, which was referred to the Committee on Legislation :

• I propose to amend the Constitution of Subordinates, as follows :

Article 3, Sec. 1, page 39 of Digest, to add after the words "ball ballots," in the seventh line, "And if but one black ball appear, the N. G. shall immediately order a new ballot."

And then strike out the word "shall" in the seventh line, and insert in its stead the word "then."

The following was received, and referred to the Committee on Legislation :

I move to amend the Constitution of Subordinates :

Resolved, That Sec. 4 of Article VII of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, under the head of "Penalties and Trials," be amended by the addition of the words, "*or affirmation*," after the sentence "then on oath," so as to read, "if he be not a member, then on oath or affirmation."

J. S. DRUMMOND, *Rep. Vic. No. 1.*

Rep. Norman, of No. 87, submitted the following, which was referred to the Committee on Legislation :

Amend Section 3 of Article II, Constitution of Subordinates, by striking out "any Odd Fellow residing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge having no card of clearance, and not being connected with any Lodge upon the Pacific coast, who was last a member of some Lodge east of the Rocky Mountains, and who ceased to be a member, or was suspended only for non-payment of dues," and insert "suspended members of the Order residing within this jurisdiction, who may have been suspended for non-payment of dues, and who have not been under suspension for less than three years, or members of defunct Lodges not able to get a card."

Rep. Billings, of No. 52, submitted the following, which was referred to the Legislative Committee :

Resolved, That Section 1, Article II, of the Constitution of this R. W. Grand Lodge be so amended as to read, "shall hold regular Annual Communications, to begin on the first Tuesday of September in each year, instead of May."

The following resolution, submitted by Rep. White, of No. 87, was referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

Resolved, That a brother, whose sickness is caused by drunkenness or immoral conduct, shall not be entitled to watchers.

The following amendment to the Grand Lodge Constitution, submitted by Rep. Burton, of No. 6, was referred to the Legislative Committee :

I propose to amend Sec. 1, Article 2, of the Grand Lodge Constitution, by striking out the word "first," and inserting the word "second."

Rep. Billings, of No. 52, submitted the following :

Resolved, That the special roll calling be dispensed with, but may, by vote, be called at any time during the sessions of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and shall have the same force and effect as if called twice daily.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to adopt.

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, moved to indefinitely postpone.

Motion lost.

Motion to adopt carried.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, presented a petition from a number of brethren, praying this Grand Lodge to instruct their Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States to cause the written work of the Order to be translated into the Italian language, which was received, and referred to the Legislative Committee.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved. That the Legislative Committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing some method, otherwise than by vote of subordinate Lodges, for the selection of a representative who shall be entitled to mileage, and that they report by enactment or otherwise.

Adopted.

Rep. White, of No. 87, presented the following, and moved its reference to the Legislative Committee :

Resolved. That it is the duty of the Junior Past Grand, whenever, from information or otherwise, he shall become satisfied that a brother has been guilty of violating any of the principles of the Order, to prefer charges against the brother so offending, and to prosecute the same.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to indefinitely postpone.

Carried.

The following petition was presented :

HALL MEADOW LAKE LODGE, No. 125, I. O. O. F.,
MEADOW LAKE, April 25, 1868. }
To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :

We, the members of Meadow Lake Lodge, No. 125, I. O. O. F., most respectfully ask of your honorable body the privilege of retaining the regalia and paraphernalia belonging to the Grand Lodge, which we are now using, until the next session of the Grand Lodge.

Fraternally yours,

S. C. CHAMBERS, N. G.

W. R. MORRIS, *Secretary.*

Rep. Pidwell, of No. 17, moved that the prayer of the petitioners be granted, provided the Lodge to which the regalia formerly belonged should not reorganize the present year.

Adopted.

Rep. Frank, of No. 116, moved to take from the table the petition presented by Rep. Saalberg, of No. 116, relative to the case of charges against Brother S. F. Herrguth.

Carried.

Rep. Saalberg moved to adopt.

Carried.

Rep. McKune, from the Committee on Legislation, presented the following, which was received and laid on the table.

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your Committee, to whom was referred that part of the report of the M. W. Grand Master, relating to Degree Lodges, beg leave to report the following Standing Regulations:

Degree Lodges within this Jurisdiction may be formed subject to the following provisions:

First—The members of such Degree Lodge shall consist of brethren in good standing, who have attained the Scarlet Degree, provided that a brother in good standing, not a member, may sit in such Degree Lodge while conferring a degree he has taken; and the Noble Grand and Vice Grand of such Degree Lodge shall be either a sitting Noble Grand of a Subordinate Lodge, or a Past Grand.

Second—Such Degree Lodge may be established in any district, city or town wherein are two or more Subordinate Lodges.

Third—The elective Officers of such Degree Lodge shall be chosen annually, at their last regular meeting before the session of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and shall consist of a N. G., V. G., Secretary, Treasurer and Guardian.

Fourth—The N. G. may assign any brothers present to fill such other positions in the Lodge as may be necessary.

Fifth—Degrees shall be conferred in such Lodges only on brothers who hold certificates of an election in their Subordinate Lodge to receive such degrees.

Sixth—Such Degree Lodge shall be entitled to a seal, and, on conferring a degree, a report thereof shall be made under such seal to the proper Subordinate Lodge, and giving the date.

Seventh—The Secretary, under the seal of such Degree Lodge, shall report to this R. W. Grand Lodge, at each Annual Communication, the names of its officers, the times of its meetings, and such other information as will enable it to understand the condition of such Degree Lodge.

Eighth—Until action thereon shall be taken by the R. W. Grand Lodge of the U. S., the Officers of such Degree Lodge shall be installed by the proper D. D. Grand Master, using the formula for installing officers of Subordinate Lodges.

J. H. MCKUNE,
E. W. ROBERTS,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your Committee, to whom was referred so much of the report of the M. W. Grand Master as relates to the records of Subordinate Lodges, report that a uniform method of making entries of proceedings in such Lodges is desirable, and in our judgment attainable only by following forms especially provided for and adapted to the business to be done. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by the M. W. Grand Master, whose duty it shall be to prepare at an early day, and deliver to the R. W. Grand Secretary, the proceedings of a fictitious model Lodge, in which shall be inserted forms for the entry of all proceedings in a Subordinate Lodge, including such rulings on points of order and decisions of the Lodge as shall best tend to instruct Noble Grands and Secretaries in the performance of their duties.

And the Grand Secretary is hereby required to secure the printing of one thousand copies of the same, forwarding two copies to each Subordinate Lodge, and retaining the balance for proper distribution.

J. H. MCKUNE,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD,
E. W. ROBERTS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your Committee, to whom was referred the proposition of Bro. C. T. Pidwell, of No. 17, to strike out Sec. 6 of Article 6 of the Constitution of Subordinates, report that the restriction contained in the section mentioned, prohibiting, as it does, any past elective officer from being a candidate, when others are in nomination, until he has been out of office one term, may in the opinion of your Committee be repealed without injury to the Order, leaving this matter to the discretion of the Lodge. We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That Section six of Article six of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges be, and the same is hereby repealed.

J. H. MCKUNE,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD,
E. W. ROBERTS.

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

Your Committee to whom was referred the resolution of Rep. Soher, of No. 44, recommending Lodges to abolish the custom of making the office of Recording Secretary a stepping stone to the office of V. G., report:

That the functions of this R. W. Grand Lodge are legislative, executive, and judicial—not advisory. If subordinate Lodges are to have the power to select their officers, they must have a discretion in the matter, only limited by the eligibility of the brother elected. We therefore recommend that the resolution be indefinitely postponed.

J. H. MCKUNE,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD,
E. W. ROBERTS.

Rep. Kendall, from the Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following, which was received and laid on the table.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

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

Your Committee on the State of the Order beg leave to submit the following questions propounded to the committee, with the answers of the committee, and recommend the adoption of the answers:

Question No. 1.—Recommend that it be referred to the Grand Lodge in secret session.

Question No. 2.—Is it competent for a Lodge to initiate an applicant who had previously held membership in the Order and resigned therefrom in good standing?

P. G., H. W. BYINGTON,
Of California No. 1.

Answer—Yes; if he is not able to pass an examination in the work. (See Digest G. L. U. S., 132.)

Question No. 3.—When the O. Guardian is in arrears for dues in a Subordinate Lodge, and therefore not entitled to a vote, and has been so declared by the Secretary, is he still entitled to vote from the fact that an order has been voted to him for services as Host or Outside Guardian?

EDWIN TAYLOR,
Rep. from Lodge, No. 44.

Answer.—No.

Question No. 4.—Has this R. W. Grand Lodge the power to levy assessments other than specified by the Constitution?

Answer.—No. J. G. MYSELL, No. 13.

Question No. 5.—Recommend that it be referred to the Grand Lodge in secret session.

Question No. 6.—In cases where the friends of a deceased brother refuse the Order the privilege of burying, and do it at their own expense, there being no widow, children, or dependent relatives, have said friends the right to demand and collect the funeral benefits of his Lodge?

G. WARNER, No. 30.

Answer.—No.

Question No. 7.—Is a brother who has been elected to and served the balance of a term to fill a vacancy in the Recording Secretary's chair, and who had not served twenty-six weeks in any other office as a necessary qualification, eligible to or entitled to the Vice-Grand's chair?

S. P. BOYD, No. 62.

Answer.—No. See Sec. 3, Art. 6, of Constitution of Subordinates.

Question No. 8.—Have the members of the Subordinate Lodge a right, when the Lodge is open under the head of the Good of the Order, to discuss a question in a friendly way which has been up when open under another head and laid on the table.

REP. PULSIPHER, of No. 112.

Answer.—No; the subject should be taken from the table previous to any discussion.

Question No. 9.—Has a Lodge the power to compel her members to watch with a sojourning sick brother, and has a Lodge the right to engraft such a clause in her by-laws?

H. KOZMINSKY, of No. 71.

Answer.—Yes.

D. KENDALL,
DAVIS LOUDERBACK,
WASHINGTON BARTLETT,
JOHN C. BRADLEY.

Rep. McKune, from Committee on Legislation, presented the following report.

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.
of the State of California:*

The Legislative Committee, to whom was referred the proposition presented by P. G. M. Burton, relative to change of the time for holding the sessions of this Grand Lodge, would respectfully report the same back without recommendation, as to the propriety of such change; and would recommend that the consideration of the same be made the special order immediately following the election of Grand Officers.

J. H. MCKUNE, Chairman.

On motion of Rep. Gray, of No. 112, the Grand Lodge adjourned.

THIRD DAY OF SESSION.

THURSDAY, MAY 7TH, 1868, }
 9 o'clock, A. M. }

PRESENT :

The following named Grand Officers :

CHAS. N. FOX, *M. W. Grand Master.*
 C. S. HASWELL, *R. W. Deputy Grand Master.*
 S. W. BROCKWAY, *R. W. Grand Warden.*
 T. RODGERS JOHNSON, *R. W. Grand Secretary.*
 PHILO WHITE, *R. W. Grand Treasurer pro tem.*
 C. W. DANNALS, }
 J. A. McCLELLAND, } *R. W. Grand Representatives.*
 REV. WM. H. HILL, *Worthy Grand Chaplain.*
 D. B. WOOLF, *Worthy Grand Marshal.*
 M. W. SHUSTER, *Worthy Grand Conductor pro tem.*
 C. C. SMITH, *Worthy Grand Guardian.*
 FRANKLIN WILLIAMS, *Worthy Grand Herald.*

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by Worthy Grand Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday was read, and on motion of Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, approved.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, from Committee on Appeals, presented the following report, and moved to lay it on the table to be printed.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

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

O. B. POWERS, *Appellant.* }
 vs. }
 SUISUN LODGE, No. 78, *Respondent.* }

In this case, the Committee on Appeals respectfully report that during the

session of the Grand Lodge they have received the following communication from the Representatives of Suisun Lodge:

O. B. POWERS,
vs.
 SUISUN LODGE, No. 78. }

The undersigned, Representatives of Suisun Lodge, No. 78, I. O. O. F., having been accorded a full hearing in the above entitled cause before the Committee on Appeals, and being convinced therefrom that said Suisun Lodge has erred in its treatment thereof, and as to the lawful rights of complainant in said cause, we do hereby move your Committee that said representatives be permitted to make this acknowledgment to the complainant and to the Lodge; and that if said complainant, Bro. Powers, upon this acknowledgment, shall find it consistent with his rights and duties to consent thereto, this Committee be respectfully requested to report to the Grand Lodge; that by consent of parties the case has been amicably settled—hereby pledging ourselves that Suisun Lodge, No. 78, shall in good faith abide this our action.

In F. L. and T.

VALENTINE WILSON,
 MOSES DINKELSPIEL,
 M. A. WHEATON.

Shortly afterward, on submitting said communication to Bro. Powers for his consideration of the proposition of dismissal contained therein, we received from him the following communication:

O. B. POWERS,
vs.
 SUISUN LODGE, No. 78. }

In this matter, in consideration of the acknowledgments of error, made in the name of Suisun Lodge, No. 78, by her Representatives, the undersigned, complainant in the cause, hereby consents to the Committee on Appeals reporting to the Grand Lodge that the case, as between complainant and said Lodge, has been amicably settled, and may be dismissed.

In F. L. and T.

O. B. POWERS.

Your committee readily assented to a harmonious settlement of the matter between the Lodge and Bro. Powers, its present N. G. The difficulty had arisen entirely from diverse views as to the construction of the laws of the Order. In our report last year, we sustained the views of Bro. Powers. The Lodge asked for a rehearing this year, and sent able Representatives to argue the legal propositions. We gave them a hearing, and called their attention to the authorities, the result of which was the communication above set out. Bro. Powers stated that he had urged his appeal only to vindicate the principles involved, and, for the sake of harmony in the Subordinate Lodge, generously withdrew his complaint against Bro. Hubbard.

In this aspect of the case, and with the consent of both parties, we recommend that the case be dismissed.

A. A. SARGENT,
 H. J. TILDEN,
 J. B. HARMON,
 T. R. KIBBE,
 S. W. BROCKWAY.

Rep. Roberts from Legislative Committee presented the following reports, which, on motion, were laid on the table to be printed :

REPORTS OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE,

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

The Legislative Committee, to whom was referred the petition of brethren in this jurisdiction, requesting that proper steps be taken by this Grand Lodge to obtain the consent and direction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States for the translation of our work into the Italian language, and their authorization for the establishment and chartering of Subordinate Lodges to work in that language, having considered the subject matter, would report:

We recommend that the petition be entered upon the Journal, and the request of the petitioners be complied with. It appears that a large number of Italians, who are acquainted with the English language, have united themselves with Lodges in different parts of this jurisdiction, and the number would be greatly increased from among worthy men of the same nationality, who are but partially acquainted with the English language, if the opportunity were given them to unite with a Lodge working in their own language. It is reasonable to suppose that such brethren, upon their return to their native land, would prove efficient instruments in the introduction and establishment of our Order among the enlightened and intelligent of their countrymen, and materially assist our French and German brethren in disseminating our liberal principles among European nations.

We therefore present the following resolution, and recommend its adoption:

Resolved, That the Grand Representatives of this Grand Lodge be and they are hereby authorized and instructed to present the petition above referred to at the next session of the Grand Lodge of the United States, and that they use their endeavors to procure such legislation in that Body as will accomplish the desire of the petitioners.

E. W. ROBERTS,
J. H. MCKUNE,
M. M. ESTEE,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

SIRS AND BROTHERS:—

The undersigned, members of the I. O. O. F., in good standing in their respective Lodges, would respectfully represent that they are natives of Italy, or of Italian descent, and speak the Italian language; that there are large numbers of their countrymen in the City of San Francisco, and in the interior towns of this State, who are desirous of affiliating with our Order, but, being imperfectly acquainted with the English language, are debarred from joining, for the reason that they cannot understand the work.

That a large accession of industrious, honest and deserving men could be made to our Order, if permission were obtained to translate the work into Italian, and a charter granted for the formation of a Lodge to work in that language.

That the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States has appreciated the desirability of permitting the work of our Order to be translated into German and French, and the organization of Lodges to work in those languages. The result, as you must be well aware, has been most satisfactory.

We conceive that, at this moment, when the extension over the entire world of our Order is being contemplated—when California, through the energy of one of the members of this Worthy Grand Lodge, has obtained the credit of causing the union of our Order in America with that in Australia—let us also have the credit of taking the initiative of making our work intelligible and within the reach of the citizens of that country, to which we all look with pride, as being the birthplace and cradle of civilization, industry and art.

Your petitioners would respectfully ask that the necessary steps be taken at this session of this Worthy Grand Body to obtain the consent and direction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States to the translation of our work into Italian, and their authorization for the establishment and chartering of Lodges to work in that language.

Fraternally yours,

ADOLPHUS D. GRIMWOOD, P. G. Apollo Lodge, No. 123.

A. D. SPLIVALO, Apollo Lodge, No. 123.

JOSEPH CATANIA, Scarlet Member, Magnolia Lodge, No. 29.

D. GHIRARDELLI, Magnolia Lodge, No. 29.

N. LASTRETO, Magnolia Lodge, No. 29.

B. PERATA, Magnolia Lodge, No. 29.

P. ALFERITZ, Templar Lodge, No. 17.

L. LASTRETO, Magnolia Lodge, No. 29.

P. PANELLI, Yerba Buena Lodge, No. 16.

CEVASCO INPOLITO, Magnolia Lodge, No. 29.

FELIX GARRONE, Templar Lodge, No. 17.

JOSEPH QUEIROLO, P. G. Oso Lodge, No. 110.

Dated San Francisco, Cal., May 6th, 1868.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your Committee on Legislation, having considered the proposition of Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, to amend the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, recommend the adoption of the following, to stand as an amendment to Section one of Article two of such Constitution :

Resolved, That the word "State," in line ten of the printed Constitution of Subordinate Lodges be, and it is hereby stricken out, and the word "Jurisdiction" be inserted in lieu thereof.

We have also considered the proposition of Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, to amend Section three of Article three of the same Constitution, and recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the word "County," in the third line of Section three, Article three, of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, be, and it is hereby stricken out, and the word "District" inserted in lieu thereof.

We have also considered the resolution offered by Rep. Willow, of No. 9, relative to entering communications on minutes of Subordinate Lodges, and we recommend the adoption of the following, to operate as a repeal, and stand in lieu of Rule six, to be observed by Secretaries, found on page 243 of the Digest :

6. An abstract of all communications from the M. W. Grand Master and R. W. Grand Secretary shall be entered on the minutes, and the originals numbered, and such number entered on the minutes, and the papers kept on file in the order of their numbers; provided, that the notices of suspensions, expulsions, and rejections, should be written up in the black book, and the fact of their reception entered on the minutes.

J. H. MCKUNE,
E. W. ROBERTS,
A. B. ASHER,
M. M. ESTEE,
A. C. BRADFORD.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

Your Committee to whom was referred the proposition of Rep. G. I. N. Monell, to amend Article III, Section 1, of the Constitution of Subordinates, report: That in our opinion, no change should be made in such section in the particular indicated.

When a black ball has been cast, that circumstance will cause discussion, and such Lodge ought to have one week to mature its judgment. We therefore recommend that no further action be taken thereon.

Your Committee, however, having had that section under consideration, ask leave to propose an amendment thereof.

When an election has been arrested by the casting of a black ball, it is the duty of the member casting such ball to inform the Noble Grand of the cause or ground thereof. This duty is often neglected, and the member casting it is enabled to secure black balls, at the next ballot, enough to reject the candidate. Thus, while avoiding a clear duty, he accomplishes his object, and keeps the cause from the members.

We recommend that said section be amended, by striking out of the same all after the word "and," where it first occurs in the last line of the section but one, and inserting the following: "If the brother casting the black ball shall not have informed the Noble Grand of the reason why he cast such ball, the Noble Grand shall, *at the next regular meeting if no other objection be made*, declare the applicant duly elected; but if such reasons are disclosed, *or other objections be made, privately or otherwise*, then the ballot shall again be held, and if no more than two black balls appear, the candidate shall be declared elected; but if three or more appear, he shall be deemed rejected."

J. H. MCKUNE,
E. W. ROBERTS,
A. C. BRADFORD,
A. B. ASHER,
M. M. ESTEE.

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

Your Committee, to whom was referred the resolution of Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, relative to the selection of a Representative entitled to receive mileage, report that much confusion may be avoided by changing the regulation. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That subdivision four of Resolution found on page 336 of the Proceedings of this R. W. Grand Lodge at its last session, be so modified, that the selection of the representative entitled to such mileage shall be left to the representatives elected to the Grand Lodge from such subordinate.

J. H. MCKUNE,
A. B. ASHER,
E. W. ROBERTS,
A. C. BRADFORD,
M. M. ESTEE.

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

Your Committee on Legislation, to whom was referred resolution of Rep. Drummond, relative to amendment of Sec. 4, Art. VII, Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, report that while under a liberal construction of the section named, the word "oath" might be satisfied by an affirmation, it is better to make the section explicit. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following to stand as an amendment to said section:

Resolved, That the words "or affirmation" be and they are hereby inserted after the word oath in the seventh line of Sec. 4, Art. VII, of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges.

J. H. MCKUNE,
E. W. ROBERTS,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD,
M. M. ESTEE.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved that for the remainder of the session five hundred copies of the daily Journal be provided, including that of Wednesday.

Adopted.

Rep. Cross, of No. 8, from the Special Committee on Parker Monument, presented the following report, which, on motion, was laid on the table to be printed:

Report of Special Committee on Parker Monument.

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

The Committee, to whom was referred so much of the report of the M. W. Grand Master as relates to the subject of the Parker Monument, respectfully re-

port that, in reviewing the transactions of the permanent committee having charge of the erection of the Parker Monument, we find that the work has progressed to its completion in strict accordance with the plans originally devised; and the moneys received have been faithfully expended and properly accounted for; and the committee deserve our thanks for their energy, perseverance and zeal in prosecuting the work. It is, however, necessary that further work shall be done, to preserve the structure from waste and injury, which will involve an expenditure of \$2,500 more money than now remains on hand. For the details of this, we refer to the report already made, to be found on pages 452-3 of Proceedings. We think the perpetuation of the powers of the present committee would be sufficient; but it is somewhat difficult to devise practicable means for procuring funds. This committee cannot discover any better than that already adopted, viz: by making an additional appeal to the membership for contributions for this object. We therefore submit the following resolutions, and recommend their adoption:

Resolved, That the present Committee having charge of the Parker Monument be, and they are hereby, continued for one year.

Resolved, That they be authorized to again apply to the membership of the Order, through the several Lodges, for contributions to the amount of \$2,500, to be expended by them in improving and taking care of the monument and grounds, as they may deem necessary. And further, that the sum of \$500 be, and the same is, hereby appropriated from the funds of this R. W. Grand Lodge, for this purpose.

SAMUEL CROSS,
A. B. ASHER,
T. RODGERS JOHNSON.

Rep. Tilden, of No. 124, from Committee on distribution of subjects contained in Grand Master's report, submitted the following supplementary report, which, on motion of the Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, was laid on the table to be printed.

Supplementary Report of Committee for the Distribution of Grand Officers' Reports.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

Your committee appointed for the purpose of distributing the subjects embraced in the Grand Master's and other reports, beg leave herewith to present a supplementary report:

GRAND MASTER'S REPORT.

First—So much as refers to the removal of Sutter Lodge, No. 100, from Nicolaus, in the County of Sutter, to Wheatland, in the County of Yuba, be approved by this Grand Lodge.

Third—So much as refers to the "New Age" newspaper, be referred to the P. G. Representative, Nathan Porter.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

First—So much as refers to the procuring the usual number of copies of the daily Journal, and 2,000 copies of the Revised Journal of Grand Lodge Proceedings of 1867, be approved by this Grand Lodge.

Second—So much as refers to supplying the Grand Lodge of Australia with the Journals of this Grand Lodge, and blauks, be approved by this Grand Lodge.

Third—So much as refers to furnishing fifty blank charters to Grand Lodge of Nevada, be approved by this Grand Lodge, and that the amount of bill for engraving the same be donated to the Grand Lodge of Nevada.

Fourth—So much as refers to the communication of D. D. Grand Sire, Alex. V. Frazer, be referred to a committee of three, to be appointed by the Grand Master.

H. S. GATES,
H. J. TILDEN,
GEO. M. GARWOOD,
J. H. CAROTHERS,
PHILO WHITE.

The Grand Lodge proceeded to nomination and election of Grand Officers.

NOMINATIONS.

FOR M. W. GRAND MASTER.

C. S. HASWELL, of No. 100.....By Rep. Burton.

FOR R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER.

S. W. BROCKWAY, of No. 44,.....By Rep. Gray.

FOR R. W. GRAND WARDEN.

J. B. HARMON, of No. 123,.....By Rep. Meeker.
REV. W. H. HILL, of No. 87,.....By Rep. Burton.

FOR R. W. GRAND SECRETARY.

T. RODGERS JOHNSON, of No. 3,.....By Rep. Woolf.

FOR R. W. GRAND TREASURER.

H. B. BROOKS, of No. 3,.....By Rep. Alexander.
H. KOZMINSKY, of No. 71,.....By Rep. Irwin.

FOR R. W. GRAND REPRESENTATIVES TO G. L. U. S.

T. K. HOOK, of No. 11,.....By Rep. Porter.
J. B. JOHNSON, of No. 17,.....By Rep. Monell.
A. J. GUNNISON, of No. 15,.....By Rep. Dannals.

FOR TRUSTEES.

A. A. SARGENT, of No. 16,	}	By Rep. Hill.
J. A. McCLELLAND, of No. 3,		
H. C. SQUIRE, of No. 15.		

The M. W. Grand Master appointed as Tellers, Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, and Rep. Bradford, of No. 39.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved that C. S. Haswell, of No. 100, be elected Grand Master, by acclamation.

Carried, and declared elected M. W. Grand Master for the ensuing year.

Rep. Gray, of No. 112, moved that S. W. Brockway, of No. 44, be elected R. W. Deputy Grand Master, by acclamation.

Carried, and declaration so made.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, declined the nomination of R. W. Grand Warden, and moved that P. G., J. B. Harmon, of No. 123, be elected by acclamation.

Carried, and J. B. Harmon was declared elected R. W. Grand Warden.

For Grand Secretary, T. Rodgers Johnson, was, on motion of Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, by acclamation, unanimously elected.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, moved to re-open the nominations for Grand Treasurer.

Lost.

Proceeded to ballot.

For Grand Treasurer, P. G., H. B. Brooks, of No. 3, was elected, and on motion of Rep. Kozminsky, of No. 71, his election was declared unanimous.

For Representative to the Grand Lodge of United States, P. G., A. J. Gunnison, of No. 15, was elected, and on motion of Rep. Hook, of No. 11, declared unanimously elected.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved to elect Trustees of this Grand Lodge by acclamation.

Carried.

And the following named Past Grands were declared unanimously elected Trustees :

A. A. SARGENT, of No. 16,
J. A. McCLELLAND, of No. 3.
HENRY C. SQUIRE, of No. 15.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to call the roll of Representatives entitled to mileage.

During the progress of roll-call, Rep. J. A. McClelland of No. 3, moved to suspend the further calling.

Carried.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved to take from the table the resolution as submitted by Rep. Brockway, (page 471,) relative to limiting time of debate.

Carried.

And further moved to adopt.

Carried.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to take from the table the reports of Committee on Legislation, page 487, and take action on them in their order.

Carried.

First, report relative to Degree Lodges, was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, adopted.

Next, report on the subject of Records of Subordinate Lodges, page 488, was, on motion of Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, adopted.

Next, report on the amendment of Subordinate Lodge Constitutions, as submitted by Rep. Pidwell, of No. 17.

Rep. Fuller, of No. 129, moved to adopt.

Rep. Louderback, of No. 15, moved to indefinitely postpone.

Lost.

Question recurring on motion to adopt, it was carried.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, moved to extend the hour of adjournment ten minutes.

Carried.

The Grand Master then introduced to the Grand Lodge Frank V. Drake, the M. W. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Nevada, who was cordially received by the Grand Lodge in due form.

At twenty-five minutes to one o'clock, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, the Grand Lodge adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION—2 o'clock.

Resumed business pending at time of adjournment, being the consideration of the reports of the Legislative Committee.

The report of Committee on the Resolution submitted by Rep. Soher, of No. 44 (page 489), was next business in order.

The previous question was called and sustained.

Report adopted.

Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, moved to take from the table the reports of Committee on Appeals (page 477).

Carried.

On motion of Rep. Louderback, of No. 15, the report in the case of L. T. Cogswell vs. Hope Lodge, No. 33, was adopted.

Rep. Gates, of No. 17, moved to adopt the report in the case of Brooklyn Lodge, No. 46, vs. Daniel Henderson (page 477).

Carried.

On motion of Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, the Grand Lodge proceeded to the consideration of the reports as printed in the Journal:

First in order was the report submitted by the Committee on Laws of Subordinates, page 478.

Pending the discussion to adopt the report, Rep. Alexander moved to fill the first blank in said report by inserting "1,000," and the second by inserting "one to each D. D. Grand Master, and at least two to each Lodge."

Adopted.

Rep. Bartlett, of No. 124, moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, save and excepting that portion thereof relating to the By-Laws of the Lodge of Honolulu, and that that portion of the report relating to said Lodge be not approved.

Adopted.

Next report, from Special Committee relative to celebrating the fiftieth anniversary (page 480,) was, on motion of Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, adopted.

Next report, from Committee on State of the Order, (page 489) was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, taken up and acted upon *seriatim*.

The answer to question 1, was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, adopted.

On motion to adopt question 2, Rep. Byington, of No. 1, moved to strike out all after the word "Yes".

Lost.

The answer, as reported by the Committee, was adopted.

Answer to question 3. Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, moved to amend the report by answering "Yes, if the order is for an amount equal to his dues, and has not been paid."

Previous question called for and sustained,

The amendment as submitted by Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, was carried, and the report as amended adopted.

Answer to question 4, was, on motion of Rep. Hill, of No. 87, indefinitely postponed.

The answer to question 6, on motion of Rep. Roberts of No. 12, was adopted.

Answer to question 7. Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to strike out "no," and insert "yes."

Lost.

Answer as reported was then adopted.

Answer to question 8. Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, moved to strike out the entire answer, and insert "yes."

Adopted.

The answer to question 9, on motion of Rep. Dibble, of No. 52, was adopted.

On motion of Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, the report of the committee was adopted as amended.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved that the resolutions pertaining to the time of holding the sessions of the Grand Lodge, be made the special order for Friday morning, at ten o'clock.

Carried.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, from the Committee on Petitions, presented the following report, and moved that it lie on the table, and be printed.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS.

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

Your Committee, to whom was referred the application of Pilot Peak Lodge, No. 91, for permission to apply to sister Lodges for aid, would beg leave to report that we have carefully considered the same; also the report of the District Deputy on the same subject, and find that said Lodge has been for a number of years in a languishing condition—low in numbers and funds, and no bright prospects for the future. While in this condition the Lodge contracted their present debt, by expending for a sick brother sums from ten to fifty dollars per week, when by their own By-Laws he was only entitled to three. As much as your committee may admire the charity and generosity of these brothers, we cannot admit that they were right in going beyond the means at their command, thereby creating a necessity for levying heavy assessments on poor brothers (as they say they have done), much less by disbursing charities in their own name, and then asking sister Lodges to refund the money.

Therefore, your committee feel compelled to say in conclusion, that in their opinion said Lodge does not present one of those cases that would justify the granting their request.

All of which is submitted in F. L. and T.

B. W. BARNES,
A. J. LUCAS,
E. B. NORMAN,
E. G. HALL,
GEO. BUCK.

Rep. Luce, of No. 4, moved that a special committee of three be appointed on unfinished business.

Carried.

The Grand Master appointed as said committee—

Rep. FRIEND, of No. 4.
Rep. HOOK, of No. 11.
Rep. GREGORY, of No. 34.

Rep. Porter, of No. 15, presented a memorial from P. G. Rep. J. W. Dwinelle, relative to the Standing Resolution, page 67, Volume I, concerning the establishment of new Lodges; and submitted the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted:

Resolved, That the Standing Resolution of this Grand Lodge, to be found in Volume I, of its printed proceedings, at pages 67 and 69, shall not be so construed as to require assent of any Lodges situated in the City and County of San Francisco to the formation of any new Lodge within the County of Alameda. *Provided*, that the consent of all other Lodges situated outside of

the City and County of San Francisco, and within ten miles of the seat of the proposed new Lodge, be obtained, as provided by said Standing Resolution.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved that the bonds of the Grand Secretary and Grand Treasurer be fixed, the former in the sum of \$3,000, and the latter in the sum of \$5,000.

Rep. Sargent moved to extend the time of adjournment half an hour.

Carried.

Rep. Wanzer, from the Special Committee on Orphan Asylum and subject of the Grand Lodge of Australia, presented the following report, which, on motion of Rep. Sargent, was laid on the table for printing.

Report of Special Committee on Orphan's Home College, Grand Lodge of Australia, etc.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

Your Committee, to whom was referred such portions of the Report of the M. W. Grand Master, as relate to the Orphans' Home College, Grand Lodge of Australia, and courtesies extended by certain companies, herewith present the following:

ORPHANS' HOME COLLEGE.

The adoption of some energetic measures for the establishment and perpetuation of a system for the education and relief of the orphan children of our departed brothers, seems to us not only to be a *necessity*, arising from the wants of the homeless and friendless, and *their* claims upon us as an Order, but to be an imperative and sacred duty imposed upon us by the solemn obligations we have each taken before the altars of Odd-Fellowship. On the tables of stone that are given to us are engraved the commands, to "visit the sick," "bury the dead," and "educate the orphan." *These* commands and this sense of obligation, coupled with the increasing needs of our brotherhood, lead us therefore to the conclusion that prompt and decisive action should be taken—such action as will at once satisfy the decrees of our Order, the obligations of its members, and the necessities of those who so surely have the right to look to us for aid and protection. Our Order in other jurisdictions has already organized and perfected systems of education, and established schools and institutes for the benefit of their orphan and destitute children. Should not we, ranking as we now do among the brightest gems in the crown of Odd-Fellowship, follow in their footsteps, and secure to *ourselves* the most enduring benefits of our covenanted fraternity?

The establishment of an institution which shall *fully* meet the necessities of our Order, may be impossible of accomplishment at once; but we feel per-

fectly confident that our present means and material are such, that, without imposing any burdens which will be seriously felt, we will be enabled to establish a nucleus upon which the accumulations of time and the fostering care of our brothers ultimately will erect such a monument to Odd-Fellowship, as will convince the world of the worth and purity of its principles.

Your committee would therefore report favorably upon the suggestion of the R. W. Grand Master, and would recommend the establishment of an orphans' home and college, to be called "*The Orphans' Home and Odd Fellows' College of the Pacific*;" also, that a committee of five be appointed by the presiding officer of this Grand Lodge, of which committee the present M. W. Grand Master, Charles N. Fox, shall be a member and chairman thereof, for the following purposes, viz.:

First—To select and secure an eligible site for the location of the institution above named, accepting therefor an executory conveyance, conditioned upon the carrying into effect the objects of said committee.

Second—To solicit and receive donations.

Third—To prepare plans, specifications, and estimates of costs of necessary buildings and improvements, and to take such other action in the premises as they may deem to be necessary, provided, however, that they shall not create any liability against this Grand Lodge, until they have first reported and received its assent thereto.

Said committee to report its proceedings, together with plans for further action herein, to this Grand Lodge at its next Annual Communication.

We would also recommend that said committee be authorized to receive donations for the purposes aforesaid, conditioned that the same should be refunded to the donors, should such donors so desire, in tuition, at the rates hereafter to be established by the management of said institution.

We would also recommend that a tax of twenty-five cents per member be levied upon each Lodge subordinate to this Grand Lodge, to be applied to the erection and maintenance of the institution aforesaid; said tax to be paid to the Grand Secretary at the time of reception of semi-annual reports, in the month of January of each year, and by him paid to the Treasurer of the Committee aforesaid, whose duty it shall be, under the direction of said committee, to deposit all moneys that may come into his hands in some available place, subject to the order of said committee.

Your committee is further informed that certain parties have kindly offered to donate, for the purposes aforesaid, sufficient and convenient lands therefor, which will at once relieve us from a heavy expense, and *should* encourage us in our undertaking.

THE GRAND LODGE OF AUSTRALIA.

The subject of establishing the Order of Odd Fellows in foreign lands, deserves, most certainly, at the hands of this Grand Lodge, serious consideration. The benefits accruing to us, and to mankind, thereby, we cannot undertake to enumerate. That it is expedient and practicable to thus increase the limits of our jurisdictions, is clearly evidenced by the reports and correspondence received by this Grand Lodge, from Bro. P. G. R., Meacham, whose mission has been so eminently successful upon the distant shores of Australia.

We would therefore recommend, that to him be tendered the thanks of this

Grand Lodge for the exertions on his part that have contributed so largely to the success of a long-cherished project of our Order in this jurisdiction. We would also recommend the adoption of the following resolutions, expressive of the sentiments entertained by this Grand Lodge toward the Grand Lodge of Australia, and the brothers of its jurisdiction:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge does joyfully welcome among the sisterhood of Grand Lodges, our new sister—the Grand Lodge of Australia.

Resolved, That the organization of the Grand Lodge of the jurisdiction of Australia, is hailed by us, as glad tidings coming to us from lands across the sea; telling us of the first great steps toward the diffusion of the principles of Odd Fellowship throughout the length and breadth of the civilized world.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge do extend to the officers and members of the Grand Lodge of Australia its sincere thanks for the many courtesies extended to P. G. R. Meacham, and other members of this Grand Lodge; assuring them, that their many acts of kindness meet with a full and merited appreciation, and will be treasured up in the storehouse of our memory, as additional evidences of the priceless worth of those principles which have so firmly bound us together in the fellowship of our Order.

Resolved, That while we entertain no fears for the uninterrupted prosperity of the Order of Odd Fellowship upon the shores of Australia, we shall look with eager eyes toward the new star that has risen in the far distant horizon, and pray that its luster may never be dimmed, or its brilliancy ever be impaired, but that it may shine steadily and brightly, hourly increasing in the purity of its radiance, until when, perchance, it shall have approached the zenith, it may look calmly, peacefully down upon a world that shall be a world of brothers, bound in the eternal bonds of Friendship, Love, and Truth, with but one law to guide their footsteps, and that law shall be the law of universal brotherhood.

Resolved, That our Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to urge in that Grand Body the ratification of the proceedings of P. G. R. Meacham, relative to the institution of the Grand Lodge of the Jurisdiction of Australia, and the general extension and propagation of our Order in every land which shall be the habitation of civilized man.

Resolved, That a copy of the foregoing resolutions, and the action of this Grand Lodge relative thereto, be forwarded by the Grand Secretary to the Grand Lodge of Australia, and also a copy to P. G. R., A. D. Meacham.

COURTESIES EXTENDED TO THE ORDER.

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge are especially due, and are hereby extended to the California Steam Navigation Company, the San Francisco and San Jose R. R. Company, the Central Pacific R. R. Company, the Central R. R. Company, and the Northern California R. R. Company, for courtesies extended to our M. W. Grand Master, during the past year.

Resolved, That our R. W. Grand Secretary be requested to furnish to each of the above Companies a copy of the foregoing resolution.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. A. McCLELLAND,
JAMES O. WANZER,
A. C. BRADFORD.

Rep. Soher, of No. 44, presented the following resolution, and moved that it lie on the table and be printed.

Carried.

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Lodge discountenances, and emphatically condemns, electioneering for any office belonging to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows; and any brother belonging to any Lodge in this jurisdiction guilty of such practice, or of aiding and abetting the same, shall be held liable to charges "of conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow," for which, if proven, he shall be punished as provided in the Constitution or By-Laws of the Lodge of which he is a member.

Rep. Tilden, of No. 124, moved to take from the table the report of the Committee on the Grand Officers' Reports (page 497).

On motion of Rep. Holbrook, of No. 90, the report of the Committee was adopted.

The Grand Master appointed the following special committees :

On the subject of the Model Record Book for Subordinate Lodges :

Rep. HARMON, of No. 123.

Rep. WANZER, of No. 96.

Rep. PIDWELL, of No. 17.

On the subject embraced in the communication from Alexander V. Frazer :

Rep. PORTER, of No. 15,

Rep. LONG, of No. 73,

Rep. GREEN of No. 115.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16; moved to take from the table the report in the case of appeal, O. B. Powers *vs.* Suisun Lodge, No. 78, (page 491.)

Carried.

Rep. Kozminsky, of No. 4, moved to adopt.

Carried.

On motion of Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, the report of the Special Committee on subject of Parker Monument was taken from the table, and on motion of Rep. Ward, of No. 119, was adopted.

On motion of Rep. Hill, of No. 87, the Grand Lodge adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Lodge was called to order at eight o'clock, pursuant to a special order.

Present—Grand Officers and quorum of Representatives.

Opened in secret session.

At 11 o'clock, closed secret session.

The M. W. Grand Master *elect* announced a portion of the D. D. Grand Masters, whom he proposed to appoint for the current year.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed the following Representatives as a Committee to examine the proposed D. D. Grand Masters :

Rep. McCLELLAND, of No. 3,
Rep. DANNALS, of No. 67,
Rep. HILL, of No. 87,
Rep. HARMON, of No. 123,
Rep. PIDWELL, of No. 17.

Rep. White, of No. 3, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge are due, and are hereby given, to Grand Representatives Dannals and McClelland, for the very able and skillful manner in which they have exemplified the Secret Work of the Order.

Carried.

At 11¼ o'clock P. M. the Grand Lodge adjourned till Friday, at 9 o'clock A. M.

FOURTH DAY OF SESSION.

THURSDAY, MAY 8TH, 1868, }
9 o'clock, A. M. }

PRESENT :

The following named Grand Officers :

- CHAS. N. FOX, M. W. Grand Master.
C. S. HASWELL, R. W. Deputy Grand Master.
S. W. BROCKWAY, R. W. Grand Warden.
T. RODGERS JOHNSON, R. W. Grand Secretary.
PHILO WHITE, R. W. Grand Treasurer pro tem.
C. W. DANNALS,
J. A. McCLELLAND, R. W. Grand Representatives.
REV. WM. H. HILL, Worthy Grand Chaplain.
D. B. WOOLF, Worthy Grand Marshal.
M. W. SHUSTER, Worthy Grand Conductor pro tem.
C. C. SMITH, Worthy Grand Guardian.
FRANKLIN WILLIAMS, Worthy Grand Herald.

And a quorum of Representatives.

Prayer by Worthy Grand Chaplain.

Journal of yesterday was read, and on motion of Rep. Lucas, of No. 5, approved.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, submitted and moved the following :

Resolved, That the Committee on Mileage be instructed to close their report at 12 o'clock.

Carried.

Rep. Alexander, from Committee on Laws of Subordinates, presented the following, and moved its adoption.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LAWS OF SUBORDINATES.

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

The Committee on Laws of Subordinates beg leave to report, that they have had submitted to them for examination, during this Session, the By-Laws of Colfax Lodge, No. 132, and Covenant Lodge, No. 73, which have been corrected and approved.

L. L. ALEXANDER,
HENRY WARTENBERG,
JOHN SHELLY.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved to take from the table, in regular order, the reports as printed in Journal.

Carried.

First being report from Legislative Committee on subject embraced in memorial from A. D. Grimwood and others, (page 493), was, on motion of Rep. Cross, of No. 8, adopted.

Next, report from same committee, on subject of Constitutional amendments, (page 494.)

Rep. Cross, of No. 8, moved to adopt.

Pending discussion, Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved that the special order be postponed until eleven o'clock.

Carried.

Rep. Louderback, of No. 15, moved to amend the second resolution, by inserting before the word "District," "*County and.*"

Carried, and the report adopted as amended.

Next, report from same committee, on amendment to Article 3, Section 1, Constitution of Subordinates, (page 495.)

Rep. Levy, of No. 94, moved to adopt.

Rep. McKenna, of No. 15, moved to indefinitely postpone.

Lost.

Rep. Carothers, of No. 117, moved to amend by inserting after the word "shall" in the fifth line, "*at the next regular meeting, if no other objections be made.*"

Carried.

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, moved to insert after the word "disclosed," in third line from bottom, "*or other objections be made privately or otherwise.*"

Carried, and the report amended adopted.

Next, report from same committee (page 496), on resolutions submitted by Rep. Sargent, on the subject of the manner of selecting Representatives who shall receive mileage.

Rep. Garwood of No. 17, moved to adopt.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to strike out the words "*present in,*" in last line, and insert "*elected to.*"

Carried, and report as amended adopted.

Next, report from the same committee (page 496), concerning amendment to Article 7, Section 4, Constitution of Subordinates, which was, on motion of Rep. Byington, of No. 1, adopted.

Next, report from Committee on Petitions (page 504) was taken up, and, on motion of Rep. Long, of No. 73, adopted.

Next, report from Special Committee on Subjects of Orphans' Home and Grand Lodge of Australia, was, on motion, referred back to Committee, with instructions to strike out certain portions, (page 505).

The special Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the decease of P. G. M., J. A. J. Bohlen, and other members of this Grand Lodge, submitted the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE DEATH OF MEMBERS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

Your committee, to whom was referred so much of the Grand Master's report as relates to the death of P. G. M. James A. J. Bohlen, and others, beg

leave to report that the sorrows of our fraternity can only find adequate expression in our silence. Language is paralyzed in the presence of our great grief; Past Grand Master Bohlen is dead. Peacefully, willingly, he sleeps in the silent grave. How fragrant the memory of such a man!

The monument that stands over his remains is enduring. Ages may roll away, and the granite and marble remain to mark the resting place of our valued chief; but in the march of ages the granite will fret away, and the marble crumble, too, and mingle with the surrounding earth, but the memory of P. G. M. Bohlen will still remain. His name is written in imperishable letters on the hearts of his brethren, and will be transmitted from father to son, embalmed in the history and legends of our Order, and his example be a guiding star till time shall be no more.

In the presence of such a death mere formal resolutions are out of place. Let that language which is universal and more potent than words speak for us, and while the symbol of sorrow tells of our grief, let the beautiful symbol of Faith tell of our confidence in his exaltation to that rest which is the reward of him who loved his fellow-men.

We recommend that the act of burying him beneath the Parker Monument be approved, and that a tablet be placed upon that monument inscribed to his memory.

We further recommend that his farewell address to the brethren of his Lodge, with a brief statement of the circumstances under which it was delivered, be printed upon a separate mourning page of the Journal of this session, and that a mourning tablet be prepared and also printed in said Journal, bearing his name, the place and date of his birth, the date of his initiation, and the name of the Lodge into which he was initiated, the date of his first installation as Noble Grand, of his admission into the Grand Lodge, of his installation as Grand Master, of his admission into the Grand Lodge of the United States, and of his death.

We recommend that the remarks of the Grand Master relative to the death of Past Grands Piper and Baylis be approved, as expressive of the sense of this Grand Lodge, and that the names of those and the other Past Grands reported by the Grand Master as having died during the year, be entered on a mourning tablet published with the Journal of this session.

CHARLES N. FOX,
J. H. MCKUNE,
S. W. BROCKWAY.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, moved to adopt.

Vote was taken by the Grand Lodge rising, and unanimously adopted.

Rep. Sargent, from Committee on Appeals, submitted the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEALS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

In the matter of the memorial of Rep. Saalburg, of Germania Lodge, No.

116, in behalf of Brother S. F. Herrguth, now under sentence of suspension, after a full hearing of all parties interested, report that there is no occasion for the intervention of the Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. SARGENT,
S. W. BROCKWAY,
T. R. KIBBE,
J. B. HARMON,
H. J. TILDEN.

Rep. Selig, of No. 13, moved to adopt.

Carried.

The special Committee on subjects relating to the Orphans' Home and Grand Lodge of Australia, again presented their report on those subjects, with such amendments as were dictated by the Grand Lodge.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to indefinitely postpone that portion of the report relating to an Orphan's Home.

Carried.

Rep. Carothers, of No. 117, moved to adopt that portion relating to the Order in Australia.

Carried.

On motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, that portion of report relative to courtesies extended to this Order was adopted.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That Rep. R. B. Norman, of No. 87, be a committee to sit during the recess, to prepare a copious digest of all proceedings of this Grand Lodge for the sessions since the publication of the Digest, including the present, to be published by the Grand Secretary in the bound volume embracing the proceedings of those sessions; and that the sum of one hundred dollars be appropriated out of the treasury of the Grand Lodge to pay for such services.

Carried.

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to compile all important decisions made by this Grand Lodge, which are entered on the Secret Journal, and report them to the Lodge at its next Annual Communication, while in secret session.

Carried.

The next business in order was the consideration of amendments to the Constitution of the Grand Lodge, as reported by the Legislative Committee, (pages 482, 485, 490,) being a special order.

The subject being before the Grand Lodge, Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, moved to indefinitely postpone.

Lost; 64 affirmative, 93 negative.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved to take up the first proposition, viz., to change the time of holding the sessions of the Grand Lodge to the fourth Tuesday in July.

After considerable discussion, Rep. Hill further moved to postpone the subject until the next session.

Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, moved to lay the subject on the table.

Carried; 95 affirmative, 69 negative.

Rep. Porter, from special committee on that subject, presented the following, which was adopted, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44:

THE NEW AGE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

The undersigned, to whom was referred so much of the M. W. Grand Master's report as refers to the "New Age" newspaper, respectfully recommends that the views of the Grand Master in the premises be adopted as the sense of this Grand Lodge; and that the thanks of this Body be and are hereby tendered to the proprietors of said newspaper for the favors and courtesies extended to the Grand Master and this Grand Lodge.

NATHAN PORTER.

The R. W. Grand Secretary, T. Rodgers Johnson, and R. W. Grand Treasurer, H. B. Brooks, presented their bonds of office; the former in the sum of \$3,000, with J. C. Johnson and J. B. Johnson

as sureties; the latter in the sum of \$5,000, with Nathan Porter, David Meeker, and David Hunter, as sureties. Both bonds were accepted and approved, and were placed in the hands of the Trustees of the Grand Lodge.

Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, moved to take from the table the query submitted by him, (page 476,) relating to the eligibility of a brother who had lost his right hand, to the office of N. G.

Carried.

Rep. Roberts further moved that the Representatives to the Grand Lodge of the United States be instructed to present the question for the consideration of that Grand Body.

Carried.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved that all representatives who desire to leave the city after the close of the morning session, have leave of absence for the remainder of the session, and that the Committee on Mileage be instructed to allow their mileage.

The resolution submitted by Rep. Sober, of No. 44, (page 508) was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, taken from the table.

Rep. Swain, of No. 3, moved to indefinitely postpone.

Previous question called and sustained.

A vote being taken, the motion of Rep. Swain to indefinitely postpone was carried.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved that the time for recess this day be one hour.

Carried.

Rep. Burton, of No. 6, moved to extend the morning session fifteen minutes.

Carried.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, moved to take from the table and adopt the resolution on adjournment *sine die*, (page 482.)

Carried.

Rep. McKenna, of No. 15, submitted the following, which, on motion of Rep. Robinson, of No. 124, was adopted.

Resolved, That the sum of fifty dollars is hereby allowed and ordered to be paid into the hands of Past Grand Master Fox, to be paid by him to the janitors of this R. W. Grand Lodge, for services rendered at this session.

The following, presented by Rep. J. B. Johnson, of No. 17, was, on motion of Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, laid on the table ;

Resolved, That the Trustees of this R. W. Grand Lodge be, and they are hereby, empowered to procure a full set of Grand Officers' regalia and jewels; the cost of the same not to exceed the sum of ——— dollars.

Rep. Louderback, of No. 15, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the By-Laws of Subordinate Lodge relating to Monitory Committees are annulled, and Subordinate Lodges are prohibited from enacting By-Laws providing for the creation of Monitory Committees.

Carried.

Rep. Hill, of No. 87, presented and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That this R. W. Grand Lodge is opposed to any Legislation by the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States that contemplates the discontinuance of the system of weekly benefits, and our R. W. Grand Representatives are instructed to oppose all legislation looking to that result.

Carried.

Rep. McKune, from the Legislative Committee, presented the following, and moved its adoption :

REPORT OF LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your committee, to whom was referred the proposition of Rep. Norman, of No. 87, to amend Section 3, Article 11, of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, report the amendment back, and recommend its adoption.

J. H. MCKUNE,
E. W. ROBERTS,
A. B. ASHER,
A. C. BRADFORD,
M. M. ESTEE.

Pending motion on the above, time for recess was extended ten minutes, on motion of Rep. Burton, of No. 6.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to lay the report on the table for one year.

Carried.

Rep. Burton, from Committee on Mileage, presented the following, which was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, adopted:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MILEAGE.

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

Your Committee on Mileage would beg leave to report, that we have examined the amounts that have been handed to us as the amount of the actual traveling expenses of those representatives who have been selected by their respective Lodges to receive the amount of said expenses, and submit the following exhibit as the result of our examination, and recommend that the sums therein specified be allowed to each representative therein named. The aggregate amount thus allowed is \$2,935.50.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. O. BURTON,
GEORGE T. BOHEN,
JOHN A. WHALEY,
ROBERT SWAIN,
GEO. I. N. MONELL.

Name.	Lodge No.	Amount.	Name.	Lodge No.	Amount.
Len. Harris.....	2.....	\$ 8 00	<i>Brought forward</i>		
John Fisher.....	4.....	8 00	Isaac Halsey.....	25.....	30 00
Caleb Brind.....	5.....	15 00	S. H. Brockway.....	27.....	16 50
H. S. Farrington.....	6.....	9 00	J. L. Cook.....	28.....	5 00
Thos. Jameson.....	7.....	12 00	G. Warner.....	30.....	3 00
E. J. Clark.....	8.....	8 00	J. A. Brown.....	31.....	17 50
Elias Willow.....	9.....	13 50	J. A. Johnson.....	32.....	47 00
P. J. C. Ryland.....	10.....	27 00	G. W. King.....	33.....	26 00
R. Gnekow.....	11.....	9 00	J. H. Gregory.....	34.....	2 50
C. C. Smith.....	12.....	19 00	J. Q. A. Stanley.....	35.....	70 00
Jos. Dietz.....	14.....	25 50	H. W. Allen.....	36.....	20 00
A. A. Sargent.....	16.....	30 00	Isaac P. Jackson.....	37.....	20 00
W. R. Brown.....	18.....	3 00	Adam Barrett.....	38.....	17 50
F. G. Hean.....	19.....	94 50	Jno. H. Harris.....	39.....	33 00
A. Simonton.....	20.....	18 50	J. J. Dickinson.....	41.....	54 00
A. B. Beauvais.....	21.....	27 00	W. F. Brady.....	43.....	4 00
L. D. Sanborn.....	22.....	2 00	J. H. Zumalt.....	44.....	27 00
John Weil.....	24.....	47 00	J. C. Bradley.....	45.....	15 00
<i>Carried forward</i>		\$376 00	<i>Carried forward</i>		\$784 00

Name.	Lodge No.	Amount.	Name.	Lodge No.	Amount.
<i>Brought forward</i>			<i>Brought forward</i>		
		\$784 00			\$1866 75
W. C. Barker.....	46.....	20 00	G. H. Rockke.....	89.....	23 00
L. P. Freer.....	47.....	22 00	L. D. Holbrook.....	90.....	11 50
Henry Atwater.....	48.....	34 00	G. Whitclaw.....	92.....	24 25
G. W. Hendell.....	49.....	58 00	Wm. Whidden.....	93.....	3 50
W. S. Fowler.....	50.....	21 00	Julius Levy.....	94.....	59 00
W. H. Fox.....	51.....	14 00	Edward Bender.....	96.....	9 50
James M. Billings.....	52.....	2 50	John Atler.....	97.....	35 00
J. J. McClelland.....	53.....	9 00	John Rutan.....	98.....	14 00
M. M. Lawn.....	54.....	47 00	E. G. Hall.....	99.....	10 25
A. B. Brown.....	55.....	24 00	E. W. Sheets.....	100.....	13 50
E. F. Taylor.....	56.....	23 00	P. P. Tarr.....	102.....	11 00
Chas. McDonald.....	57.....	56 00	Adolph Heibron.....	105.....	8 00
E. Murdock.....	58.....	24 00	Aaron Barfor.....	106.....	20 00
Max Brooks.....	59.....	22 00	A. P. Parker.....	108.....	23 50
Frank W. Young.....	61.....	75 00	John Shelley.....	109.....	1 50
S. P. Boyd.....	62.....	10 00	Samuel Miller.....	110.....	32 00
T. Hitchcock.....	63.....	13 00	N. Wyckoff.....	111.....	15 00
J. J. Piper.....	64.....	12 00	G. W. Walraven.....	113.....	24 00
Wm. P. Greenfield.....	65.....	26 50	L. E. Osgood.....	114.....	3 50
C. B. Hopkins.....	66.....	20 00	R. S. Green.....	115.....	88 50
J. E. Madison.....	67.....	27 00	J. H. Carothers.....	117.....	2 75
R. A. Hunt.....	68.....	23 00	H. J. Ward.....	119.....	90 00
Alex. Roseborough.....	70.....	96 00	G. Turner.....	121.....	23 00
Henry Long.....	73.....	20 50	J. Penhall.....	125.....	29 75
F. Seig.....	74.....	18 50	J. Becker.....	126.....	23 00
A. Townsend.....	76.....	42 00	D. A. McFarland.....	127.....	59 25
J. M. Cox.....	77.....	50 00	J. H. Williams.....	128.....	5 00
Valentine Wilson.....	78.....	4 00	A. L. Fuller.....	129.....	1 50
F. A. Charville.....	79.....	13 50	Wm. Kesity.....	130.....	25 00
B. W. Barnes.....	80.....	55 00	M. Stinchfield.....	133.....	21 50
Samuel Parker.....	81.....	13 25	P. B. Wagner.....	134.....	10 00
C. B. Cutting.....	82.....	25 00	Z. N. Spalding.....	135.....	84 00
Wm. Veal.....	83.....	6 00	H. Robinson.....	136.....	66 00
G. W. Tully.....	84.....	81 00	T. M. Davis.....	137.....	12 50
J. A. Whaley.....	85.....	50 00	S. Benjamin.....	138.....	70 00
F. Reese.....	86.....		U. S. Walcott.....	139.....	16 00
Jas. E. Smith.....	87.....	10 00	S. W. Sonedecker.....	143.....	4 00
			J. L. Drummond.....	1.....	90 00
<i>Carried forward</i>		\$866 75	Total		\$2935 50

Rep. Garwood, from Committee on Finance, presented the following report, and moved its adoption :

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

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

Your Committee on Finance submit the following:

Resolved, That a draft be drawn on the Treasury in favor of the Committee

on Mileage for the sum of \$2,935.50, with which to pay the representatives entitled to mileage the various sums as reported by said committee.

GEORGE M. GARWOOD,
HENRY B. BROOKS,
JOHN H. GREGORY.

Adjourned until a quarter before two o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION—1:45 o'clock.

Rep. Gates, of No. 17, moved to take from the table the report of Finance Committee, (page 476.)

Carried.

And further moved to adopt.

Carried.

Rep. Tilden, of No. 124, submitted the following:

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge specially approves that part of the Grand Master's report condemning electioneering, but it does not deem legislation on that subject necessary.

On motion of Rep. Fuller, of No. 129, the above was adopted.

Rep. Garwood, from Finance Committee, presented the following:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

The Committee on Finance submit the following report of the estimated receipts and expenditures for the ensuing year:

ESTIMATED REVENUE.

Cash on hand, General Fund.....	\$	206	37
Representative Fund.....		1,689	30
Supplies and Charters.....		900	00
Assessment on 9,625 Members, General Fund, at 30 cents each Member.....		7,700	00
Assessment on 10,000 Members, Representatives' Fund, at 25 cents each Member.....		2,500	00
Total.....	\$	12,995	67

ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES.

Salary of Grand Secretary.....	\$ 3,000 00
Printing Journals of present Session, and binding 150 copies.....	1,750 00
Stationery and incidental expenses.....	700 00
Grand Lodge supplies.....	700 00
Subscription of ten copies of New Age.....	50 00
Traveling expenses of M. W. Grand Master elect.....	1,000 00
Deficiency in appropriation made and expenses incurred by Grand Master C. N. Fox.....	300 00
Parker Monument Fund.....	500 00
Representative Fund for mileage.....	4,000 00
Estimated balance at the end of the year.....	995 67
Total.....	\$12,995 67

Your Committee submit the following:

Resolved, That an assessment of (80) eighty cents for each contributing member be levied upon Subordinate Lodges, to be passed to the credit of the General Fund, and a further assessment of (25) twenty-five cents per member, for the benefit of the Representative Fund. The first assessment of eighty cents to be payable to this R. W. Grand Lodge, on the 30th day of June, 1868, and the second assessment of twenty-five cents on the 31st of December, 1868.

In accordance with the suggestion of the R. W. Grand Secretary, in his annual report, which was referred to this Committee, they recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be and is hereby authorized to publish an additional volume of the Journal of this Grand Lodge, not exceeding 150 copies, with an appendix which shall contain the names of all the members of the different Lodges in this jurisdiction, arranged according to rank and in numerical order.

The large accessions to our numbers in this jurisdiction, both in Lodges and membership thereof, increasing the duties and work in the Grand Secretary's office, making it necessary for that officer to employ an assistant, induces your Committee to offer the following:

Resolved, That the salary of the R. W. Grand Secretary of this Grand Lodge be fixed at \$3,000 per annum.

Understanding that the appropriation made at the last session of this Grand Lodge, for the purpose of defraying the traveling expenses of the M. W. Grand Master, was insufficient to pay the amount expended by that officer, your Committee therefore recommend that an additional appropriation of \$250 be made for that purpose, which, with the balance before appropriated and not yet drawn, shall be paid to G. M. Charles N. Fox.

Your Committee submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be instructed to purchase, at a cost not to exceed \$500, a first class fire proof chest, to be kept in his office, for the preservation and safe keeping of the books, papers and documents of this Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE M. GARWOOD,
HENRY B. BROOKS,
JOHN H. GREGORY,
H. KOZMINSKY.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, moved to adopt the report as above.

Pending action on same, Grand Master Charles N. Fox declined receiving the appropriation made to him.

Whereupon Grand Secretary Johnson moved that the sum of \$300 be set aside to be appropriated for the purpose of purchasing a suitable testimonial to the M. W. Grand Master, Charles N. Fox.

Carried, and the report adopted.

Rep. Barnes, from Committee on Petitions, presented the following, and moved its adoption.

Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

Your Committee on Petitions beg leave to report, that they have carefully examined the petitions and accompanying papers of the following Lodges, which have been instituted under dispensations from the M. W. Grand Master. We find them all in proper form, and according to the laws of this R. W. Grand Lodge, and would recommend that charters be granted as follows;

To W. S. Moore, P. G.; N. B. Forgay; C. A. Leistner; S. S. Grass; N. C. Cunningham, P. G.; S. N. Copeland, and F. L. Wellington; to be located at Taylorville, Plumas County, and to be known and hailed as Indian Valley Lodge, No. 136.

To Thomas M. Davis, P. G.; D. J. Cummings, Francis Rabel, Henry Bisehel, and Stephen F. Grover; to be located at Soquel, Santa Cruz County, and to be known and hailed as Soquel Lodge, No. 137.

To J. A. Stone, U. S. Walcott, W. R. Fidler, Geo. W. Heppard, J. H. Weissgerber, Parker Halloway, Thornton King, and N. A. Beoves; to be located at Gold Run, Placer County, and to be known and hailed as Gold Run Lodge, No. 139.

To H. K. Turner, P. G.; Joseph Enscoe, B. F. Lemman, W. T. Hamilton, and James H. Boyle; to be located at Sierra Valley, Sierra County, and to be hailed and known as Mountain Vale Lodge, No. 140.

To A. Chatham, David King, Reuben Pearce, William J. Bidwell, John Ellis, Erastus Wagnor, Caleb Watkins, Thomas J. Simpson, James Mears, D. C. Stephenson, and Hiram Taylor; to be located at Millville, Shasta County, and to be known and hailed as Millville Lodge, No. 141.

To S. W. Sonedecker, P. G.; W. A. Clark, J. Downing, Lewis Jacob-

son, and Jacob Rosenblum; to be located at Half Moon Bay, San Mateo County, and to be known and hailed as Ocean View Lodge, No. 143.

Respectfully submitted, in F., L. and T.

B. W. BARNES,
R. B. NORMAN,
E. G. HALL,
A. J. LUCAS,
GEO. BUCK.

Rep. Barnes also submitted the following, which was, on motion, adopted :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PETITIONS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

We, your Committee on Petitions, beg leave to report, that we have carefully examined the following petitions and accompanying papers:

Of Bohem Lodge, No. 138, located at Wilmington, Los Angeles County; and Garden City Lodge, No. 142, located at San Jose, Santa Clara County, which have been instituted under dispensations from the M. W. Grand Master.

We find them in proper form, and would recommend that charters be granted.

We also recommend that the action of the M. W. Grand Master, in reorganizing Mountain Rose Lodge, No. 26, be approved.

We further recommend, that a duplicate charter be granted to Samaritan Lodge, No. 126, free of charge; they having lost the original by fire.

Respectfully submitted, in F., L. and T.

B. W. BARNES,
R. B. NORMAN,
E. G. HALL,
GEO. BUCK.

The Special Committee on Unfinished Business presented the following, which was, on motion, indefinitely postponed :

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

Your Committee on Unfinished Business beg leave to make the following report:

On page 485, second day, resolution of Rep. White, of No. 87.

On page 403, Grand Master's report.

Application of P. G., A. Beckford, of Lodge No. 139, to be recognized as a charter member.

J. S. FRIEND,
JOHN H. GREGORY.

Rep. Louderback, from Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California:*

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom were referred the decisions of the D. D. Grand Masters, as embraced in the Grand Master's Annual Report, beg leave to report that they have examined the same, and recommend that Decisions No. 1 and 2 be approved.

In reference to the decision made by D. D. Grand Master, George Buck, the committee find the same incorrect (see Digest Grand Lodge U. S. 107, paragraph 23), and recommend that the decision be disapproved. It appears from the report of D. D. Grand Master Buck that, on the regular night for the election of officers, some new nominations were made for some elective officers, which course was in violation of the Constitution of Subordinates, unless the nominees for an office all declined.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVIS LOUDERBACK,
D. KENDALL,
WASHINGTON BARTLETT,
JOHN C. BRADLEY.

On motion of Rep. Brockway, the above report was adopted.

Same committee presented the following, which was, on motion of Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, adopted :

QUESTIONS.—A brother, in 1861, is suspended for non-payment of dues ; he, at the same time, is guilty of conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow, but no charges are preferred; one year thereafter he leaves the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and remains so absent and suspended; can charges be now preferred and he tried by said Lodge? If not, when did the Lodge lose jurisdiction?

JOHN T. FORTSON, No. 53.

ANSWER.—This question has been answered by the Grand Lodge. (See Journal, page 389, Vol. 1.) That charges not tried and determined within two

years from the time of their being alleged or committed shall be considered outlawed, and no penalty thereon be inflicted.

D. KENDALL,
WASH. BARTLETT,
JOHN C. BRADLEY.

Rep. Barnes, of No. 80, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That no representative is entitled to mileage unless he returns to his Lodge within a reasonable time.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to lay it on the table.

Carried.

Rep. Gregory, of No. 34, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to procure the portrait of the M. W. Grand Master elect, C. S. Haswell, and at a cost not to exceed the sum of thirty-five dollars.

Carried.

Rep. Gates, of No. 17, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That P. G. M., J. A. McClelland, P. G. P., Lewis Soher, and P. G. P., B. W. Barnes, be constituted a committee to select a suitable testimonial to be presented to the M. W. Grand Master, Charles N. Fox.

Carried.

The following was presented by Rep. Roberts, of No. 12, and, on motion of Rep. White, of No. 3, adopted :

Resolved, That Samaritan Lodge, No. 126, be and is hereby granted the privilege of retaining the regalia now in its possession until the further order of this Grand Lodge, provided that the same may be reclaimed at any time by the M. W. Grand Master, in case the Lodge to which such regalia belonged shall be reorganized.

A communication was read from George W. Baker, claiming a balance due for engraving charter plate.

Received and subject referred to the Finance Committee.

Rep. Alexander, of No. 15, submitted the following, which was, on motion of Rep. J. B. Johnson, of No. 17, adopted :

Resolved, That the R. W. Grand Secretary be, and he is hereby instructed to prepare all amendments (not now embodied in the Constitutions as printed in the Digest,) to the Constitution of this Grand Lodge and the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, and have the amended constitutions printed in the Journal of the present session.

The Grand Master appointed a special Committee to prepare a model Code of By-Laws, to be reported at the next session of this Grand Lodge.

Rep. ALEXANDER, of No. 15,

Rep. MOENING, of No. 13,

Rep. NORMAN, of No. 87.

Rep. Bartlett, from Committee on the State of the Order, presented the following :

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE ORDER.

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

of the State of California:

Your Committee on the State of the Order, to whom was referred the decisions of the Grand Master, as embodied in his Annual Report, beg leave to report decisions Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, 9 and 10, and recommend that they be approved.

In relation to the 7th decision rendered by the M. W. Grand Master, the Committee respectfully report: That, although the question has been before the R. W. Grand Lodge on a previous occasion, and determined in the same manner as it is here determined, the Committee feel constrained to disapprove this decision.

The clause of the Constitution of the Grand Lodge of the State of California, defining the powers of the D. D. G. M., and which is relied upon by the Grand Master in support of his decision, in the opinion of the Committee, confers no such power as is claimed. The clause referred to is as follows: "The W. D. D. G. M. shall in the absence of the Grand Master, * * * have power to grant dispensations to Lodges in his district for granting certificates for the five degrees in less time than may be otherwise permitted, where circumstances require it.—*Cons. G. L. of Cal., Art. IV, Sec. 6.*

Article V, Sec. 1, of the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, reads as follows: "A member who has been in membership one month shall be eligible for degrees, but shall not be elected to more than three degrees at the same meeting, unless a dispensation be obtained therefor from the Grand Master, or his Deputy for the district."

It will be observed, that being a member of the Order for one month is made a necessary qualification for eligibility for degrees. We submit that the words "unless a dispensation be obtained therefor from the Grand Master or his Deputy," etc., refer entirely to the number of degrees which may be conferred at the same meeting, and cannot, by any interpretation, be made to

clude a recognition of a right in the Grand Master to dispense with the time required as eligibility for degrees. To shorten the time of membership is not to lessen "the time than otherwise permitted," but to change one of the requisites of eligibility. This involves a change of the Constitution itself, which the Grand Lodge of this State has decided that the Grand Master himself nor his Deputy have no right to do. (See Jour. Cal., Vol. 1, pp. 269 and 270.)

The object of this provision in the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges is to secure proficiency on the part of members before they are advanced. If the interpretation placed upon this clause by the Grand Master is adhered to, this object will be entirely defeated in many instances.

The power claimed on behalf of the D. D. Grand Master is a very important power, and its exercise may very seriously affect the interests of the Order. It should be claimed only upon clear and unmistakable language.

We recommend that the actions of the Grand Master in relation to the formation of the Grand Lodge of Nevada be approved.

Also, so much as relates to the subject of electioneering in Lodges has been disposed of by the Grand Lodge, and needs no further mention from us.

Respectfully submitted.

D. KENDALL,
WASH. BARTLETT,
JOHN C. BRADLEY.

The undersigned agrees with the report of the committee, with the exception of its action on Decision No. 7, which decision of the Grand Master the undersigned recommends to be approved.

DAVIS LOUDERBACK.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to adopt the report of the majority of the Committee.

Rep. McKenna, of No. 15, moved to adopt all of the report of the majority of the Committee, except that portion relating to the 7th decision of the Grand Master.

Carried.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, moved to adopt the report of the majority on the 7th decision.

Previous question called and sustained.

Vote being taken on the adoption, it was carried and the report as a whole was adopted.

Rep. Brockway, of No. 44, presented the following:

Resolved, That such matters as may occur after the adjournment of this R. W. Grand Lodge, which in the opinion of the R. W. Grand Secretary should be published, he be and he is hereby authorized to publish in the Appendix to the Grand Lodge Journal.

On motion of Rep. Porter, of No. 15, the above was adopted.

Rep. Porter, from special committee on that subject, submitted the following, and moved its adoption :

Carried.

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE.

*To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California :*

The Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the presentation to this Grand Lodge by Past District Deputy Grand Sire, Alexander V. Frazer, respectfully report that, on the 22d day of September, 1848, Hon. R. Kneass, Most Worthy Grand Sire of the I. O. O. F., of the United States, appointed and commissioned Alexander V. Frazer, now a resident of New York, a special agent to the Grand Lodge of the United States, to act for the Grand Sire for the coast and islands of the Pacific Ocean, with the rank of District Deputy Grand Sire; that the P. D. D. G. S. Frazer, following the instruction of his commission, faithfully performed the duty thus intrusted to him, and early took the proper steps, and caused to be instituted California Lodge, No. 1, at San Francisco.

Your committee will not in this place take time to enumerate the many acts performed by D. D. Grand Sire Frazer, in the interest and for the benefit of the Order on the Pacific coast in the early years of its settlement. It is unnecessary, his acts are a portion of the history of our Order here.

But the object of this report is to present the facts to this Grand Lodge, that the P. D. D. G. S. Frazer, who is now advanced in life, is seeking further to benefit the Order in this jurisdiction, and to remind us of some of the most interesting events of its early history, as well as to preserve in the proper place the cherished mementoes of his early mission, has kindly presented to this Grand Lodge, in a neat frame, the commission under which he acted as District Deputy Grand Sire.

Brother Frazer was the captain of ships on this coast, and adopted an official flag, measuring eight by eighteen feet, bearing the dove, olive branch, and three links, which flag, as Brother Frazer expresses in his letter to the Grand Secretary, he "carried at the fore when in the Pacific, and was accustomed to display it to the crowded passenger vessels on their way from the Atlantic ports to the El Dorado." This flag is also tendered by Brother Frazer as a present to this Grand Lodge. The said commission and flag have been duly received by this Grand Lodge, and are now present in the Lodge-room.

Your committee, therefore, recommend the passage of the following resolution, and that a copy thereof be forwarded by the Grand Secretary to Past District Deputy Grand Sire Frazer.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge duly appreciates the early important labors performed on this coast on behalf of our beloved Order, by P. D. D. Grand Sire, Alexander V. Frazer, the works of whose hands live in our day to bless the people of this jurisdiction, and particularly the members of our fraternity.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge accepts with gratitude the valuable mementoes of the early history of our Order in this jurisdiction, presented us by P. D. D. Grand Sire Frazer, in said commission and flag, and hereby tender their unanimous thanks.

Resolved, That said commission and flag be preserved in the archives of this Grand Lodge, and that the same be under the special care of the Grand Secretary; that said commission, by permission of the Managers of the Odd Fellows' Library in San Francisco, be placed in said Library, there to remain for the future inspection of the brotherhood.

NATHAN PORTER,
HENRY YOUNG,
R. S. GREEN.

Rep Tilden, of No. 124, moved that the reading of the Journal of this day be dispensed with, and the approval of the same be left with the M. W. Grand Master and Grand Secretary.

Carried.

The M. W. Grand Master, Charles N. Fox, arose and delivered the following :

VALEDICTORY OF GRAND MASTER C. N. FOX.

REPRESENTATIVES AND PAST GRANDS:

The time has arrived when I am to retire from the exalted position in which your suffrages placed me one year ago, and give place to my successor. I feel that I have not filled the position as well as I had hoped to do, or so well as you had a right to expect of me; but whatever I have done has been with a desire to promote the best interests of our beloved Order, and my shortcomings have been the result of a want of ability to do more, or of errors in judgment, and not for want of interest in our cause. I can only hope that my efforts may redound in some measure to the prosperity of our Order in this jurisdiction.

I am deeply sensible of the great kindness manifested towards me throughout the year, and especially during the present session; and I assure you that that kindness shall never be forgotten. The brethren with whom I have been associated here, will always retain a warm place in my heart. May God in his mercy bless them, and the works of our Order everywhere.

In retiring from this position, I shall not consider my duty done. I do not believe that one who has received the honors of our Order, has a right to rest upon those honors, and cease to labor in the great cause of human brotherhood. I shall, therefore, still be found an active worker in the ranks of Odd Fellowship, devoting such ability as God has given me, to the promotion of its interests, and the dissemination of its principles.

Again, thanking you, brothers, for the honor which you have conferred upon me, and the kindness and consideration which you have at all times shown me, I will request P. G. M. Alexander to take *this* chair and proceed with the installation of my successor.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

P. G. M., L. L. Alexander, proceeded to install the Grand Officers elect, and requested P. G. Masters T. R. Kibbe and D. Kendall to present P. D. G. M., C. S. Haswell, M. W. Grand Master elect, who was duly installed as M. W. Grand Master of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of California, for the ensuing year, in *ample form*.

Past Grand Masters J. A. McClelland and C. O. Burton were requested to present to the Chair P. G. Warden S. W. Brockway, of No. 44, who was in like manner duly installed as R. W. Deputy Grand Master of this Grand Lodge, for the ensuing year.

Past Grand Master J. F. Morse and P. G. A. C. Bradford were requested to present P. G., J. B. Harmon, of No. 123, who was installed R. W. Grand Warden, for the ensuing year.

Grand Secretary T. Rodgers Johnson was presented by Past Grands Charles Marsh and John L. Bourland, and duly installed as R. W. Grand Secretary, for the ensuing year.

Past Grand H. B. Brooks, of No. 3, Grand Treasurer elect, was presented by Past Grands James Davis and Henry Hoeber, and duly installed as R. W. Grand Treasurer, for the ensuing year.

C. S. Haswell, M. W. Grand Master, appointed the following named Past Grands as Grand Officers, who being severally presented, were duly installed :

APPOINTED GRAND OFFICERS.

Worthy Grand Chaplain	REV. WM. H. HILL, of No. 87
Worthy Grand Marshal	W. K. BENJAMIN, of No. 112
Worthy Grand Conductor	W. H. TOOTHAKER, of No. 12
Worthy Grand Guardian	G. WARNER, of No. 30
Worthy Grand Herald	C. G. STAHL, of No. 13

Rep. Harmon, of No. 123, moved that P. G. Master, Chas. N. Fox, be requested to furnish the Grand Secretary a copy of his valedictory address for the printed Journal. Carried.

Grand Master C. S. Haswell appointed the following named representatives as

REGULAR COMMITTEES.

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| <i>Committee on Credentials</i> | { Lewis Soher, of No. 44.
John H. Gregory, of No. 34.
Edward Bender, of No. 96. |
| <i>Committee on Finance</i> | { George T. Bohen, of No. 15.
David Meeker, of No. 123.
Herman Schultz, of No. 29.
Israel Luce, of No. 4.
N. Wyckoff, of No. 111. |
| <i>Committee on Correspondence</i> | { C. N. Fox, of No. 109.
T. Rodgers Johnson, of No. 3.
D. B. Woolf, of No. 96. |
| <i>Committee on Appeals</i> | { A. A. Sargent, of No. 16.
S. W. Brockway, of No. 44.
John B. Harmon, of No. 123.
H. J. Tilden, of No. 124.
T. R. Kibbe, of No. 12. |
| <i>Committee on Laws of Subordinates</i> | { Nathan Porter, of No. 15.
B. C. Whiting, of No. 17.
John A. Richter, of No. 116.
C. C. Raynerson, of No. 102.
William H. Fox, of No. 51. |
| <i>Committee on Petitions</i> | { B. W. Barnes, of No. 80.
G. W. Wallraven, of No. 113.
Thomas Hitchcock, No. 63.
J. H. Carothers, of No. 117.
S. D. Ingram, of No. 131. |
| <i>Committee on State of the Order</i> | { Daniel McLaren, of No. 2.
Louis Korn, of No. 105.
Davis Louderback, of No. 15.
L. L. Alexander, of No. 15.
C. W. Dannals, of No. 67. |
| <i>Committee on Legislation</i> | { J. H. McKune, of No. 8.
E. W. Roberts, of No. 12.
A. C. Bradford, of No. 39.
Leon D. Freer, of No. 47.
James O. Wanzer, of No. 96. |
| <i>Committee on Mileage</i> | { C. O. Burton, of No. 6.
M. W. Shuster, of No. 45.
S. W. Butler, of No. 87.
James M. Cox, of No. 77.
J. J. Dickinson, of No. 41. |

On motion of Rep. Fox, of No. 109, the appointments of Regular Committees by the Grand Master were confirmed.

Rep. Morse, of No. 1, presented and moved the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge are due, and they are hereby tendered, to the California Steam Navigation Company, Captain Weeks of the Suisun Packet, the San Francisco and San Jose Railroad Company, the Central Pacific Railroad Company, the Northern California Railroad Company, the Yuba Railroad Company, the Sacramento Valley Railroad Company, and the Placerville Railroad Company, for courtesies extended to the delegates of this Grand Lodge at its present session.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary transmit a certified copy of the foregoing resolutions to each of the above companies.

Adopted.

Grand Rep. Dannals, of No. 67, from special Committee on examination as to proficiency in the work, of the Past Grands named by the M. W. Grand Master elect, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the brethren named were qualified to act as such D. D. Grand Masters, and would recommend their appointment.

M. W. Grand Master C. S. Haswell, then named the following Past Grands as

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.

District No. 1, Edmund Lane, San Francisco, comprising Lodges Nos. 1, 3, 15, 17, 29, 71, 112, 123, 124, 131.

District No. 2, G. Moening, San Francisco, comprising Lodges Nos. 13, 116, 122.

District No. 3, John Talbot, Sacramento, comprising Lodges Nos. 2, 4, 8, 62, 87, 111.

District No. 4, Thomas Jamison, Auburn, comprising Lodges Nos. 7, 107.

District No. 5, A. J. Lucas, Marysville, comprising Lodges Nos. 5, 45.

District No. 6, John Penhall, Meadow Lake, comprising Lodge No. 125.

District No. 7, C. O. Burton, Stockton, comprising Lodges Nos. 6, 11, 98, 102, 134.

District No. 8, A. B. Beauvais, Columbia, comprising Lodges Nos. 10, 21, 58, 82, 97.

District No. 9, C. W. Dannals, Sweetland, comprising Lodges Nos. 12, 16, 26, 67.

District No. 10, W. P. Berry, Lower Lake, comprising Lodge No. 130.

District No. 11, Henry Atwater, Moore's Flat, comprising Lodges Nos. 48, 126.

- District No. 12, W. S. Burns, Placerville, comprising Lodges Nos. 9, 20, 27, 37, 56, 63, 89.
- District No. 13, Adam Barrett, Iowa Hill, comprising Lodges Nos. 14, 38, 40, 55, 73, 108, 120.
- District No. 14, W. R. Brown, Napa, comprising Lodges Nos. 18, 28.
- District No. 15, Valentine Wilson, Suisun, comprising Lodges Nos. 43, 78, 83.
- District No. 16, Max Brooks, Oroville, comprising Lodges Nos. 47, 59, 92, 113.
- District No. 17, J. M. Daughters, La Porte, comprising Lodges Nos. 49, 80, 91, 127.
- District No. 18, M. M. Lown, Minnesota, comprising, Lodges Nos. 24, 32, 54.
- District No. 19, F. A. Charlaville, Fiddletown, comprising Lodges Nos. 25, 31, 36, 51, 79.
- District No. 20, Geo. W. Fox, Redwood, comprising Lodges Nos. 34, 52, 109, 142, 143.
- District No. 21, A. C. Bradford, Hornitas, comprising Lodges Nos. 39, 99, 104, 110.
- District No. 22, Samuel Isaacks, Shasta, comprising Lodges Nos. 57, 75, 141.
- District No. 23, Thomas C. Harvey, Angel's Camp, comprising Lodges Nos. 33, 68, 86, 106.
- District No. 24, George Buck, La Grange, comprising Lodges Nos. 65, 121.
- District No. 25, J. J. Piper, Healdsburg, comprising Lodges Nos. 30, 53, 64.
- District No. 26, F. G. Hoarn, Yreka, comprising Lodges Nos. 19, 70, 115.
- District No. 27, J. J. Dickinson, Crescent City, comprising Lodge No. 41.
- District No. 28, A. Townsend, Red Bluff, comprising Lodge No. 76.
- District No. 29, W. S. Brock, Eureka, comprising Lodges Nos. 77, 85.
- District No. 30, H. Wartenberg, Los Angeles, comprising Lodges Nos. 35, 138.
- District No. 31, F. W. Young, Weaverville, comprising Lodges Nos. 61, 84.
- District No. 32, Michael Mayer, Placerville, comprising Lodge No. 74.
- District No. 33, L. D. Holbrook, Watsonville, comprising Lodges Nos. 90, 96, 137.
- District No. 34, Charles B. Hopkins, Campo Seco, comprising Lodges Nos. 44, 50, 66.
- District No. 35, Moses Stinchfield, Colusa, comprising Lodge No. 133.
- District No. 36, Joseph Becht, Oakland, comprising Lodges Nos. 93, 114, 118, 129.
- District No. 37, C. L. Thomas, Visalia, comprising Lodge No. 94.
- District No. 38, F. Kuchonbuck, Sawyer's Bar, comprising Lodge No. 101.
- District No. 39, John H. Boke, Dutch Flat, comprising Lodges Nos. 46, 81, 132, 139.
- District No. 40, E. W. Sheets, Wheatland, comprising Lodge No. 100.
- District No. 41, Henry Robinson, Taylorville, comprising Lodges Nos. 88, 136.
- District No. 42, Adolph Heilbron, Sacramento, comprising Lodge No. 105.
- District No. 43, H. K. Turner, Sierra Valley, comprising Lodge No. 140.
- District No. 46, J. S. Drummond, Victoria, V. I., comprising Lodge No. 1.

- District No. 47, C. S. Bartow, Honolulu, S. I., comprising Lodge No. 1.
 District No. 48, H. J. Ward, Markleeville, comprising Lodge No. 119.
 District No. 49, G. P. Loucks, Pacheco, comprising Lodges Nos. 22, 117, 128.
 District No. 50, John S. Ward, Susanville, comprising Lodge No. 135.

On motion of Rep. Chas. N. Fox, of No. 109, the appointments of D. D. Grand Masters were confirmed.

Rep. Sargent, of No. 16, submitted and moved the adoption of the following :

Carried.

Resolved, That the thanks of this R. W. Grand Lodge are hereby tendered to our P. G. M., Chas. N. Fox, for the zeal and ability which have distinguished his administration of his high office during the past year. We realize that he has conferred vast benefits on the Order in this jurisdiction by his unceasing and intelligent exertions in its service, which mark his term as one of the most successful in our history.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary present an engrossed copy of this resolution to P. G. M. Fox, in token of the high regard of this R. W. Grand Lodge.

The business of the Grand Lodge being brought to a close, the M. W. Grand Master, C. S. Haswell, arose and addressed the Grand Lodge as follows :

ADDRESS OF GRAND MASTER HASWELL.

REPRESENTATIVES AND PAST GRANDS :

The time has arrived for the adjournment of this Grand Lodge, and the consequent separation of its members to give an account of our doings at the Sixteenth Annual Session to our respective Subordinates. It is a source of congratulation of no ordinary character that our business has been done in harmony, unanimity, and in a spirit of true brotherly love. The wisdom of our acts, legislative and otherwise, will be judged by others as well as ourselves, and the final judgment thereon will be given by the brethren of the far distant future. Let us not, however, care so much for the verdict to be given when the world's advance shall ripen into a more perfect and higher conception of man's capability for good, and of his duties in all the relations of life, but rather that we, as an Order, are found in the very front ranks in all the humanizing agencies of the age in which we live, battling with giant powers with the issues of the living, pulsating, and mighty present. As an Order we have a high destiny to fulfill. We have published to the world a "little" only, it is true, of our purposes, but enough to awaken, in the mind of the Christian philanthropist, expectations which we will be false to ourselves if we do not more than meet. As an Order, we know no counter-marches, no oblique to the right or left, but

touch elbows, and onward is the word. Ambulances we have for the aged brother, the widows, and the orphans; but no plan nor provision for drones and moral cowards.

As the honored representatives of a living, thinking, and feeling constituency, let us not forget that we, as individual members, have duties to perform commensurate with our position in the Order—duties which none can discharge for the other, and which, if undischarged, will rob us of the rich heritage which, in the good Providence of God, flows from acts of active benevolence and charity. Especially to my District Deputies must I look for aid to carry on our operations, and to keep our altar fires brightly burning during my term of office. Confiding in your integrity and fitness for the position, as well as willingness to do, and, if need be, to sacrifice time and ease for the general good, I have only to say that whatever of success and prosperity crowns the labors of the year shall be by me, in writing up a chapter in the history of Odd Fellowship in California, ascribed in a great degree to you.

In the occupancy of the highly honorable and truly responsible position of Grand Master of this jurisdiction, to which you have seen fit to elevate me, let me assure you that in view of the successful and popular administration of our justly esteemed Junior Past Grand Master, C. N. Fox, that I feel more than ever before in my life that those that come to such duties should be of "clean hands and of pure hearts," deeply imbued with the spirit of Odd Fellowship, and a hopeful, trusting reliance on the Supreme Ruler of the Universe for his guidance and overshadowing blessing.

Brethren, I pledge you my best endeavors to add another chapter to the history of our Order, unsullied by a single unworthy act of mine, either in my official or private capacity, so that in the event that God spares my life to meet in our next Annual Communication, I may return to you the trust this day committed to my hands as unsullied as I have this day received it. We will never all meet again on earth. Our Lodges, many of them, will be draped in mourning, and our brethren clothed with the insignia of sorrow, ere the time for our next annual gathering rolls round, because some one of the now living is dead. The list of widows of Odd Fellows will be augmented, and the number of orphan children will be increased, for change is written upon all things—death is abroad in the world, and in the Providence of God none may escape the sentence, "dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return." For wise and merciful purposes the future is hidden from our view, and we know not who of us may be called from labor to reward; and we need not particularly care to know when our change shall come, if only we are right, for the wise man has said that "once I was young, but now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken, or his seed begging bread." Let us battle for living issues and principles, leaving the dead past to bury its own dead, and as an Order seeking to be where the battle rages hottest in the full vigor of a regenerated manhood.

In conclusion, I thank you again for the honor you have done me in my election to the office of Grand Master of this jurisdiction. I hope to receive your assistance in the discharge of my onerous duties, and to enjoy the smiles of the Supreme Ruler of the Universe in answer to the prayers of the Brotherhood for the growth of our Order and the spread of the principles of Friendship, Love, and Truth.

At 15 minutes past 4 o'clock, P. M. May the 8th, 1868, the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of California, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, after prayer by the Worthy Grand Chaplain, closed its Sixteenth Annual Session in *ample form*.

W. Redgers Johnson
Grand Secretary.



APPENDIX.

COMPLIMENTARY BALL.

On Friday evening, May 8th, a complimentary ball and supper was given by the Odd Fellows of San Francisco to the officers of the R. W. Grand Lodge and Encampment and Grand Representatives, at Union Hall. The hall was handsomely decorated for the occasion, and nothing was left undone by the Committee of Arrangements for the enjoyment of those in attendance.

PRESENTATION TO PAST GRAND MASTER FOX.

A pleasing feature of the evening was a surprise present to P. G. Master C. N. Fox, by the Odd Fellows of California, in appreciation of his faithful services as Grand Master, and zeal in the cause of Odd Fellowship. The present consists of an elegant solid silver tea set of six pieces, with a salver, manufactured to order by Bro. Job M. Seamans & Co., of this city, at a cost of \$700. Upon each piece is engraved the following inscription :

"CHARLES N. FOX: From the I. O. O. F. of California, as a token of their appreciation of his services as Grand Master. May 8th, 1868."

The presentation was made by Past Grand Master Dr. J. F. Morse, as follows :

Address of Past Grand Master Morse.

MOST WORTHY PAST GRAND MASTER FOX:

Among the many pleasurable duties I have been called upon to perform in the interests of our fraternity during a quarter of a century, no single one has afforded me more heartfelt satisfaction than the one I am about to fulfill.

I have been selected, more from seniority of service than ability, to present to you this rich and gleaming token of the true fraternal regard of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of this this State, and of the unaffected admiration and friendship of the individual representatives of the Subordinate Lodges in this jurisdiction.

In discharging this agreeable duty, I have been given full authority for stating why such a beautiful souvenir of attachment has been prepared for your acceptance. The motive through which the donors have been prompted to this act, sprang from their constant and self-perpetuating desire to reward merit and encourage exertion. The motive which gladly makes you, the present subject of their partiality, arises from your having convinced them, not only of possessing, but of exercising for their good and the good of humanity, two sources of very extraordinary virtue and efficiency. I mean a combination of mind and heart which have been of infinite service in a fraternity that ranks high in their solicitude and esteem.

You might have had mind sufficient to have sustained you with ability in performing the duties of Grand Master, but with a heart so alien to the purpose, or so devoid of interest in fraternal toils, as to have given no warmth to your offerings, to have added no amenity to your actions. Or, indeed, you might have brought to the office a heart filled to repletion with the very eloquence of benevolence, struggling to give utterance to its instincts, and yet have failed almost entirely from a lack of that co-ordinating mental power which is the grand advertising medium of the soul's emotions.

In either of these cases the termination of your office would have been hailed as an escape from inappropriate relations. But fortunately for you, fortunately for the fraternity, and more fortunately for the example it affords of the beauty and value of aptitude and fitness, the representatives of this Right Worthy Grand Lodge feel that you have had the mind and heart to sustain you gloriously in executing the duties of the office you have just vacated, and that by the exercise of these virtues and talents you have made a record which the Order delights to honor and make memorable by a lasting tribute of their esteem and gratitude.

Therefore, in the name of the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of California, and in behalf of a true fraternal regard which springs from the heart, and embodies itself in the best wishes of the entire Order for you and yours, I now formally present to you this beautiful set of silver. It is a full tea set, consisting of six pieces and the waiter. It was manufactured by a member of the Order in this city from silver taken from our own Pacific mines. Every piece bears an inscription in full explanation of the event, and is embellished by appropriate symbols of the Order.

Every principal piece having a cover, is surmounted with the representation of a globe, with the continents displayed and measured by the lines of latitude and longitude, and exquisitely adorned with the emblematic dove, nearing the ark with the olive branch—signal of peace and security.

In every piece is a portion of the individual tributes warm from the hearts of our representatives.

May this memento gladden your eyes and inspire your heart till the last link of your life is broken. And then, in sublime companionship with previous memories, may it pass on down the stream of Time, from descendant to descendant, until man ceases to regard it as a virtue to venerate the distinctions of an ancestor.

Reply of Past Grand Master C. N. Fox.

PAST GRAND MASTER MORSE AND BROTHERS:

I am lost for language in which to express my thanks, not only for the beautiful present which you have made to me, but more especially for the manner in which it is made—the warm expressions of friendship, affection, and approval which accompany your gift. For once in my life my tongue is almost silent, my lips are almost dumb.

This is more than I expected at your hands, more than I had any right to expect, and with all my heart I thank you for it. I was satisfied and happy to-day, when, upon retiring from the high and responsible position of Grand Master, and looking around upon the countenances of my brethren, I saw that which gave me assurance that I still enjoyed their confidence and their love. I have endeavored during the year to do my duty, and am conscious that I have done no more than was my duty. If I have succeeded in doing that so as to merit your approval, I am content. If I have been ardent and zealous in the cause of Odd Fellowship, it was because I loved the cause, and believed the organization to be one of the best for the amelioration of the condition of men ever established on the face of the earth. If anything could make me more zealous in the future than I have been in the past, it would be the added obligation which you have now imposed upon me. But I assure you that it needed no such added weight of obligation. For more than fifteen years I had labored for our cause as I had opportunity and ability, and I promise you that so long as life shall last I will be found an active, earnest Odd Fellow.

Brothers, again, and sincerely, I thank you for your rich and elegant gift, and more than all, for the kind and eloquent expression of your commendation and approval; and you must now excuse me from saying more at present for I find I cannot do it.

LIST OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Present at the Sixteenth Annual Session of the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F.,
of the State of California, May, 1868.*

NOTE.—Names of Representatives admitted present Session marked (*).

<i>M. W. Grand Master</i>	CHARLES N. FOX.
<i>R. W. D. Grand Master</i>	C. S. HASWELL.
<i>R. W. Grand Warden</i>	S. W. BROCKWAY.
<i>R. W. Grand Secretary</i>	T. RODGERS JOHNSON.
<i>R. W. Grand Representatives</i>	{ C. W. DANNALS, J. A. MCCLELLAND.
No. 1—Morse, John F.	No. 5—*Brind, C.
*Scott, A. W.	Lucas, A. G.
Davis, James	Merritt, George
*Boyd, C. M.	Cook, W. N.
Adams, James	No. 6—Burton, C. O.
Mead, W. C.	*Farrington, H. S.
*Holmes, M. P.	*Jackson, John
Byington, H. W.	Hyatt, G. C.
Robinson, Wm.	No. 7—Jamison, Thomas
Winters, J. W.	No. 8—McKune, J. H.
No. 2—*Harris, Len.	*Clark, E. J.
*Ford, Thomas P.	*Wilson, J. W.
Jones Thomas C.	Crist, Samuel
Mauss, Theodore	Rider, John
Kendall, David	No. 9—Willow, Elias
No. 3—White, Philo	No. 10—Reyland, P. J. C.
Brooks, H. B.	Sears, W. L.
Swain, H. F.	*Bourland, John L.
Perkins, Luke H.	*Stemnitz, George
*Baldwin, A. S.	No. 11—*Gnekow, R.
*Lovegrove, George H.	Hook, T. R.
*Seamans, Job M.	No. 12—Smith, C. C.
*Hellman, Henry J.	Roberts, E. W.
No. 4—*Fisher, John	Kibbe, T. R.
Friend, Joseph S.	*Toothaker, William H.
Kozminsky, Bernard	No. 13—Bohn, John
Luce, I.	Himmelman, Andrew
Asbury, E. H.	Heitman, Nicolas

- No. 13—*Young, Nic.
Mysell, Joseph G.
Mounig, G.
Stand, Franz
Selig, Moses
*Zimmer, Charles K.
- No. 14—Diltz, Joseph
*Taylor, Joseph
- No. 15—*Cammatt, John
Gunnison, A. J.
Heuston, H. M.
Loudenback, Davis
*McKenna, T. D.
Porter, Nathan
Reed, John S.
Squire, H. C.
Williams, Franklin
Winterburn, Joseph
Alexander, L. L.
Bohen, George T.
*Hicks, Daniel.
Morrell, O. C.
Ziegler, John L.
- No. 16—Sargent, A. A.
Marsh, Charles
McKelvey, H. C.
- No. 17—Gates, H. S.
Garwood, George M.
Howland, W. H.
Hayes, C. H.
Johnson, J. C.
Johnson, James B.
*Leppien, Fred.
Irwin, Robert
Miller, J. F.
Pidwell, C. T.
*Wadhams, L.
*Whiting, B. C.
- No. 18—Byington, E. N.
*Brown, W. R.
- No. 19—*Heau, Fleming, G.
- No. 20—*Penwell, Samuel A.
Fryer, Samuel J.
*Simontou, Adam
Burns, William S.
- No. 21—Beauvais, Andrew B.
*Parsons, Edward
- No. 22—*Sanborn, L. D.
Weil, John
Asher, Alexander B.
- No. 25—*Halsey, Isaac S.
*Kingsley, E. A.
- No. 27—*Pierce, H. B.
*Brockway, S. H.
- No. 28—Cook, J. L.
- No. 29—*Schultz, Herman
- No. 29—*Stern, Herman
Falk, Adolph
*Cohen, Simon
Phillips, J. K.
*Lufkin, Joseph
- No. 30—Ellsworth, L.
Warner, G.
Wiswell, J. A.
- No. 31—Brown, J. A.
*Brimm, M.
Swift, Joseph
- No. 32—*Johnson, J. A.
*Shawness, J. H.
- No. 33—*King, George W.
*Maltman, William
Schoen, L.
- No. 34—Gregory, John H.
*Coddington, A. T.
- No. 35—*Stanley, J. Q. A.
Wartenberg, Henry
- No. 36—*Allen, Henry W.
Wehle, Isaac
Freeman, Edward G.
- No. 37—Jackson, Isaac P
Spencer, P. H.
- No. 38—Barrett, Adams
- No. 39—*Bradford, A. C.
*Harris, John F.
- No. 41—Dickinson, John J.
- No. 43—*Brady, F.
*Beckford, J. W.
- No. 44—Soher, Lewis
Brockway, Silas W.
*Taylor, Edwin
*Zumalt, Joel H.
- No. 45—Shuster, M. W.
Bradley, John C.
Flathman, John F.
Shepherd, Isaac C.
*Torrey, A. W.
Krause, John H.
- No. 46—Barker, William C.
- No. 47—Freer, Leon
*Friesleben, D. N.
*Toutand, J. W.
- No. 48—Atwater, Henry
- No. 49—*Hendel, Charles W.
- No. 50—*Fowler, William S.
- No. 51—Fox, William H.
- No. 52—Billings, J. M.
*Franck, J. C.
- No. 53—*McClelland, J. J.
*Fortson, John T.
- No. 54—*Lown, Martin M.
*Mix, Norman J.
- No. 55—Constable, Charles

- No. 55—*Brown, A. B.
 No. 56—*Taylor, Ed. F.
 No. 57—*McDonald, Charles
 No. 58—Murdock, E.
 *Dodd, William
 No. 59—Brooks, Max
 *Wilcox, Charles H.
 No. 61—*Young, Frank W.
 *Bachelor, William H.
 No. 62—*Horning, Jacob
 Seymour, J. H.
 Boyd, Samuel P.
 No. 63—*Hichecock, Thomas.
 Reed, O. D.
 No. 64—*Piper, J. J.
 *Bloom, David
 No. 65—*Grenfell, William P.
 Buck, George
 No. 66—*Hopkins, C. B.
 No. 67—*Steward, James
 *Stotler, John
 *Twcedale, T. S.
 Matteson, J. E.
 No. 68—Hunt, C. A.
 No. 70—*Rosborough, Alex. M.
 No. 71—Price, Benjamin
 Hagan, Benjamin
 Block, Abraham
 Koshland, Nathan
 Mack, William J.
 *Cerf, Jules
 Kozminsky, Herman
 No. 73—*Prescott, A.
 Long, Henry
 Spencer, C. G.
 No. 74—Sieg, Fred.
 *Meyer, Michael
 No. 76—*Townsend, A.
 *Thomas, S. S.
 No. 77—*Cox, J. M.
 No. 78—*Wilson, Valentine
 Dinkelspiel, Moses
 No. 79—Charville, F. A.
 Coblentz, Gustave
 No. 80—Barnes, B. W.
 *Paine, Bradford T.
 *Brabban, Dixon
 No. 81—*Parker, Samuel
 Boke, John H.
 No. 82—Cutting, Charles B.
 Pitman, Spencer
 No. 83—*Veal, William
 Annous, Henry B.
 *Reynolds, J. W. B.
 No. 84—*Tolley, George W.
 No. 85—*Whaley, John A.
- No. 87—Norman, R. B.
 Hill, W. H.
 White, E. F.
 *Smith, James E.
 Snow, H. K.
 *Butler, S. W.
 No. 89—*Roelke, George H.
 No. 90—Martin, Edward
 Holbrook, L. D.
 No. 92—*Whitelaw, James G.
 No. 93—*Dyer, D. E.
 *Widden, William
 No. 94—*Levy, Julius
 No. 96—*Bender, Edward
 *Gragg, George T.
 *Green, Josiah S.
 Wanzer, James O.
 No. 97—Atler, John
 No. 98—Young, Edward
 *Rutan, John
 No. 99—*Hall, E. G.
 No. 100—Haswell, C. C.
 *Sheets, E. W.
 No. 102—*Tarr, P. R.
 No. 105—Heilbron, Adolph
 Kern, Lewis
 Bellmer, John
 *Salle, Gustave
 No. 106—*Barker, Aaron
 *Small, John N.
 No. 108—*Parker, Alonzo P.
 No. 109—Fox, G. W.
 *Lathrop, T. W.
 Shelley, John
 No. 110—Miller, Samuel C.
 *Youse, Samuel A.
 No. 111—Wyckoff, N.
 No. 112—*Cochran, Joseph P.
 Gray, W. O.
 Hoebe, Henry
 *Elliot, E. E.
 Benjamin, W. K.
 Pulsipher, Orrin
 Wade, C. H.
 No. 113—*Wallraven, Gerret W.
 No. 114—*Osgood, L. E.
 *Ehrman, Max
 No. 115—*Green, Robert S.
 No. 116—Saalburg, S.
 Butner, H.
 *Lumber, E.
 Bahrs, A.
 Richter, John A.
 *Frese, Emil
 *Doerger, Charles
 Frank, J.

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| <p>No. 117—*Smith, W. A.
*Carothers, J. H.</p> <p>No. 118—*Callaghan, J.
*Brecht, Joseph
Holland, J. C.</p> <p>No. 119—*Ward, H. J.</p> <p>No. 121—*Turner, George</p> <p>No. 122—*Van Geistefeld, H. L.
*Meyer, Gust.
Ahrens, Henry
*Fritsch, George
*Van Staden, John</p> <p>No. 123—*Norcross, Daniel
Harmon, J. B.
Mallory, A. P.
*Smith, S. H.
Estee, M. M.
Hayes, William
Meeker, David</p> <p>No. 124—*Monell, George I. N.
Robinson, Prescott
*Bartlett, Washington.
Tilden, H. J.</p> | <p>No. 125—*Leebes, S.
*Penhall, J.</p> <p>No. 126—*Becker, John</p> <p>No. 127—*McFarland, D. A.</p> <p>No. 128—*Williams, John H.
*Jones, Thomas S.
*Clark, E. C.</p> <p>No. 129—*Fuller, A. L.</p> <p>No. 130—*Kasey, William
*Berry, William P.</p> <p>No. 131—*Ingram, S. D.
*Laws, James</p> <p>No. 133—*Spaulding, Charles
Stinchfield, Moses</p> <p>No. 134—*Wagner, P. B.</p> <p>No. 135—*Z. N. Spaulding</p> <p>No. 136—*Robinson, Henry</p> <p>No. 137—*Davis, Thomas M.</p> <p>No. 138—*Benjamin, S.</p> <p>No. 139—*Walcott, U. S.</p> <p>No. 143—*Sonedecker, Solomon W.
VANCOUVER ISLAND.</p> <p>No. 1—*Drummond, J. S.</p> |
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PAST GRANDS.

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| <p>No. 2—Nelson, George
Kimball, E.</p> <p>No. 7—Brown, A. G.</p> <p>No. 11—Fell, Jacob
Helbing, Charles</p> <p>No. 12—Dixon, George</p> <p>No. 13—*Clement, D.</p> <p>No. 14—*Weske, Alvin</p> <p>No. 15—Iredale, A. S.
Bartlett, Columbus.
Benson, Joseph
Dean, B. D.
Langley, Charles</p> <p>No. 17—*Loucks, George P.
Andrews, A. B.
Crane, A. E.
Doughty, John
Pincett, Samuel
Reeves, George B.
Southworth, A. B.
Stillman, J. D. B.</p> <p>No. 31—*Fifield, W. A.</p> | <p>No. 31—*Steinmetze, J.
Huse, E. F.</p> <p>No. 55—*Millard, M.</p> <p>No. 62—*Coleman, Charles B.</p> <p>No. 71—*Hecht, Isaack
*Fischer, William
*Meyer, M. C.</p> <p>No. 74—*Eitinge, August
*Webber, Ernest
Degelman, John</p> <p>No. 77—Buck, W. S.</p> <p>No. 78—Hathaway, E. E.
Hubbard, H.
Morris, W. G.</p> <p>No. 96—*Woolf, D. B.</p> <p>No. 98—*Axtell, S. H.</p> <p>No. 106—*Barney, Loomis.</p> <p>No. 117—*Barthel, M.</p> <p>No. 123—*Norcross, W. F.</p> <p>No. 124—*Von Rhein, O. F.
Root, N. T.
Day, A. O.</p> |
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NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES

That each Lodge is entitled to, as per Returns, Dec. 31, 1867,

AT THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION

Of the B. W. Grand Lodge of the State of California.

ODD FELLOWS' HALL, SAN FRANCISCO, MAY 5, 1868.

No.	Name of Lodge.	No. of Members.	No. Reps.	No. P. G.'s
1.	California.....	287.....	10.....	37
2.	Sacramento.....	199.....	7.....	33
3.	San Francisco.....	224.....	8.....	35
4.	Eureka.....	119.....	5.....	21
5.	Yuba.....	143.....	6.....	21
6.	Charity.....	155.....	6.....	33
7.	Auburn.....	48.....	2.....	12
8.	El Dorado.....	128.....	5.....	17
9.	Diamond Springs.....	26.....	2.....	6
10.	Sonora.....	90.....	4.....	16
11.	Stockton.....	110.....	5.....	20
12.	Grass Valley.....	89.....	4.....	25
13.	Harmony.....	313.....	11.....	34
14.	Mountain.....	36.....	2.....	12
15.	Yerba Buena.....	467.....	16.....	42
16.	Oustomah.....	81.....	4.....	17
17.	Templar.....	389.....	14.....	38
18.	Napa.....	44.....	2.....	10
19.	Yreka.....	68.....	3.....	10
20.	Morning Star.....	109.....	4.....	16
21.	Tuolumne.....	57.....	3.....	13
22.	Solano.....	14.....	1.....	8
24.	Sierra.....	69.....	3.....	13

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No.	Name of Lodge.	No. of Members.	No. Reps.	No. P.G.'s
25.	Volcano.....	72	3	18
27.	Coloma.....	30	2	14
28.	Sonoma.....	22	2	9
29.	Magnolia.....	185	7	12
30.	Petaluma.....	72	3	21
31.	Sutter Creek.....	75	3	15
32.	Forest City.....	43	2	7
33.	Hope.....	24	2	9
34.	San Jose.....	64	3	12
35.	Los Angeles.....	64	3	8
36.	Jackson.....	62	3	16
37.	Memento.....	37	2	12
38.	Placer.....	27	2	7
39.	Mariposa.....	87	4	16
40.	Washington.....	20	2	6
41.	Klamath.....	24	2	13
43.	San Pablo.....	47	2	11
44.	Mokelumne.....	87	4	18
45.	Oriental.....	174	7	17
46.	Brooklyn.....	70	3	12
47.	Bidwell.....	68	3	14
48.	Union.....	37	2	10
49.	Table Rock.....	46	2	5
50.	San Andreas.....	55	3	12
51.	Ione.....	28	2	8
52.	Santa Clara.....	62	3	18
53.	Santa Rosa.....	45	2	8
54.	Mistletoe.....	29	2	7
55.	Minerva.....	31	2	12
56.	Polar Star.....	34	2	6
57.	Shasta.....	64	3	18
58.	Mount Horeb.....	45	2	13
59.	Oroville.....	69	3	10
61.	North Star.....	58	3	17
62.	Granite.....	68	3	9
63.	Cosumnes.....	31	2	8
64.	Healdsburg.....	34	2	8
65.	La Fayette.....	24	2	3
66.	Campo Seco.....	30	2	10

No.	Name of Lodge.	No. of Members.	No. Reps.	No. P.G.'s
67.	San Juan	107	4	21
68.	Big Tree	16	1	7
70.	Mount Shasta	53	3	9
71.	Bay City	170	7	25
73.	Covenant	52	3	14
74.	Franklin	45	2	13
75.	French Gulch	24	2	9
76.	Red Bluff	45	2	12
77.	Humboldt	54	3	13
78.	Suisun	56	3	15
79.	Telegraph	31	2	11
80.	Alturas	58	3	10
81.	Olive	58	3	13
82.	Mountain Brow	37	2	11
83.	Vacaville	51	3	14
84.	Comet	17	1	5
85.	Anniversary	55	3	12
86.	Sharon	19	1	10
87.	Capitol	152	6	17
88.	Plumas	34	2	3
89.	Morning Light	25	2	7
90.	Pajaro	47	2	14
91.	Pilot Peak	23	2	8
92.	Cherokee	17	1	11
93.	Crusade	36	2	12
94.	Four Creeks	39	2	3
96.	Branciforte	96	4	15
97.	Yo Semite	23	2	7
98.	Jefferson	43	2	10
99.	Hornitas	30	2	8
100.	Sutter	25	2	7
101.	Marion	24	2	9
102.	Scio	46	2	12
104.	Coulterville	35	2	6
105.	Schiller	126	5	8
106.	Mineral	49	2	6
107.	Valley	41	2	6
108.	American	17	1	9
109.	Bay View	70	3	11

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No.	Name of Lodge.	No. of Members.	No. Reps.	No. P.G.'s
110.	Oso.....	52	3	9
111.	Woodland.....	45	2	10
112.	Abou Ben Adhem.....	172	7	20
113.	Chico.....	68	3	5
114.	Mission Peak.....	31	2	8
115.	Fort Jones.....	42	2	6
116.	Germania.....	211	8	10
117.	Pacheco.....	46	2	9
118.	Oakland.....	66	3	8
119.	Webster.....	54	3	6
120.	Bald Mountain.....	17	1	3
121.	Willow.....	46	2	4
122.	Concordia.....	172	7	4
123.	Apollo.....	171	7	11
124.	Parker.....	137	5	15
125.	Meadow Lake.....	25	2	4
126.	Samaritan.....	17	1	2
127.	Summit.....	32	2	5
128.	Mount Diablo.....	53	3	3
129.	Sycamore.....	51	3	1
130.	Clear Lake.....	45	2	4
131.	Unity.....	31	2	2
132.	Colfax.....	12	1	2
133.	Colusa.....	43	2	2
134.	Progressive.....	26	2	2
135.	Silver Star.....	15	1	1
136.	Indian Valley.....	28	2	4
137.	Soquel.....	21	2	2
138.	Bohen.....	28	2	
139.	Gold Run.....	16	1	1
140.	Mountain Vale.....	15	1	1
141.	Millville.....		1	
	1. Victoria, V. I.....	84	4	7
	1. Excelsior, S. I.....	38	2	14

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ABSTRACT OF REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES,
GIVING THE

Names of Wives and Widows of Members,

WHO HAVE TAKEN THE

DEGREE OF REBEKAH, TERM ENDING JUNE 30th, 1867.

LODGES.	No.	DATE.	NAMES.
California.....	1		Mrs. L. T. H. Howell, A. W. Scott, Peter Peterson, R. Bradshaw, Charles Liddle.
Sacramento...	2	April 9	" W. S. Hunt, J. S. Wilson, Peter Fuchs.
San Francisco.	3	April 12	" E. Munn, Susan A. Ham, Carrie B. Brooks, J. A. Rowson, Emma Hale.
Eureka.....	4	April 16	" T. B. Hurlburt, Wm. Boyne, Luke Burke.
El Dorado....	8	Feb. 12	" E. P. McClure, Judson S. Brown.
		April 13	" Michael Kennedy, Wm. C. Wright.
Grass Valley..	12	May 20	" W. H. Toothaker, Orlando Stoddard, John M. Gorham, John Webber, John Dennon.
Mountain.....	14	May 24	" Minnie Taylor, Henrietta Hoddie, Francis M. Von Emer, Augusta Gould, Mariah Roabe.
Yerba Buena..	15	Feb. 28	" John Cochran, James Strachan, John Watkins, J. Y. Ayer, John Stahle, Robert Chapman, J. W. Rutherford, John Dermott, John Irwin, A. M. Cook, Jacob Malcolm.
Oustomah....	16	May 28	" J. W. Hart, A. H. Parker, John Warnig, John F. Hook, Jackson Culvert, E. Hathasall.
Templar.....	17	Feb. 17	" Thomas Anderson, Aaron Holmes.
		Feb. 28	" Harvey Garselson, Ira Marden, George B. Hitchcock.
Morning Star..	20	Feb. 3	" S. L. McFarland, F. A. Hornblower, A. A. Von Voorhies.
		May 12	" C. G. Celis, M. C. Croz, A. Simonton. B. F. Murray.
Tuolumne....	21	June 22	" L. D. Beauvais, M. Burges, Mrs. Marlow.
Sierra.....	24	Jan. 20	" Jason Campbell, F. A. Esbacher.
Magnolia.....	29	Mar. 17	" A. Anderson, G. Harshall, Chris. Brown, Thomas Thompson.
Jackson.....	36	May 4	" E. Hesse, J. D. Marson, S. H. Bartlett, N. C. Briggs.
Memento.....	37	June 23	" Charles Orcilli, Henry Lightzinger.
Placer.....	38	April 18	" H. Stempla.
Washington...]	40	May 16	" J. T. Middleton, E. A. Hertel, M. D. Webber.

LODGES.	No.	DATE.	NAMES.
Mokelumne . . .	44	April 26	Mrs. S. L. Prindle, W. H. Leavett, T. S. Beaver, C. Schlund, Edward Weihe, T. K. Wilson, A. H. Heorshner.
Brooklyn	46	May —	" Lucinda Fuller, Kate Darling.
Bidwell	47	April 23	" B. F. Jones, R. Parker, H. P. Downer.
San Andreas . . .	50	April 26	" J. K. Doak.
Santa Clara . . .	52	Mar. 15	" T. H. Sinax, F. C. Franck, Jas. G. Barney, L. Hart, E. G. Freeland, P. Schnittspau, H. N. Whitcomb, F. W. Munch, A. Madan, H. H. Roper, — Higgins.
Santa Rosa	53	April 14	" W. A. Eliason, John T. Fortson, Thomas Spencer, W. W. Marrow, John Griffin, John G. Forsman.
Mistletoe	54	June 2	" C. T. Cooper, S. Molone.
Polar Star	56	April 26	" G. W. Humphrey.
Shasta	57	June 27	" Elizabeth Reimert.
Mount Horeb . . .	58	May 31	" P. J. Doll.
Granite	62	April 26	" C. B. Coleman, C. H. Wilder, I. Sheridan.
Cosumnes	63	Mar. 23	" C. Sanders, T. A. Barber, M. Simas, O. D. Reed, Charles Sexton.
Healdsburg . . .	64	May 29	" George Allison, Jas. Curtis, C. B. Procter.
La Fayette	65	Jan. 22	" William P. Greenfall, E. Lang.
Campo Seco	66	Jan. 28	" J. S. Alexander, L. M. Earle, A. T. Nortrop.
San Juan	67	April 26	" Elizabeth Lewellyn, Mary Frew.
Covenant	73	May 31	" Ann C. Banks, Sarah A. Green.
Alturas	80	April 26 June 23	" Wm. Hughes, John Williams, Thos. Davis. " Samuel Palmer, Morgan Powell, of Lincoln Lodge, No. 492, Pennsylvania.
Mountain Brow	82	Mar. 10	" Johanna Smith.
Capitol	87	Feb. 12	" J. E. Wheat, H. K. Snow, W. J. Cady, S. Cass, G. L. Johnson, A. C. Gordon, C. G. Jenks, S. H. Garrish, W. J. Robertson, — Hoyte, T. C. May, U. Buyer, N. Webb.
Crusade	93	April 21	" E. W. Wiley.
Branciforte	96	April 7	" Geo. Otto, W. J. Williams, J. W. Williams, E. Lukens, Geo. W. Eggleston, John W. Town, James Stevens, A. Baldwin, B. F. Tucker, J. L. Thurber.
Yo Semite	97	Feb. 10	" Adeline Martin.
Mineral	106	Mar. 10	" J. H. Hays.
Valley	107	June 30	" C. S. Preble, Wm. C. Dubois, C. S. Butler.
Oso	110	Jan. 6	" Joseph Quierolo, Maurice Newman, R. M. Rhodes, Etheridge Hunt.
Woodland	111	Jan. 19 April 26	" H. Curry, Ellen Tucker. " — Doitz, — Deming.
Abou Ben Ad.	112	Feb. 17	" George Blain, T. H. Peterson.
Chico	115	Mar. 20	" William Waterland, Joseph Eddy, W. V. Groves, John Bruce.
Germania	116	April 24 April 21	" John Hickox, Thomas McFadden. " C. D. Hornrick, F. Mezer, J. Mengel, H. Yaeger, George Hertel.
Webster	119	April 25	" C. H. Kilgrove, D. N. McBeth, W. Kent.

LODGES.	No.	DATE.	NAMES.
Willow.	121	April 21	Mrs. Modest Ross, Levey Stonevout, A. C. Peck.
Parker.	124	Feb. 17	" J. B. Larcombe, J. P. E. Tommerop, Henry Levi.
		Feb. 28	" James Davison, S. H. Addans.
		Mar. 17	" Jacob Brewer, Z. P. Nickerson.
Summit.	127	June 30	" T. W. Font, J. S. Wilson, E. A. Stroh, and widow of Geo. N. McCain.
Mount Diablo.	128	Mar. 31	" Mary R. Williams, Mary Prosser, Barbara Martin, Daniel Geary.
		June 23	" Johanna Jones, Mary Muir.
Clear Lake....	130	Mar. 30	" C. N. Copsey, J. D. Adams, H. N. Herrick, J. Smith, W. P. Berry, William Kasey, W. C. Goldsmith.
Victoria, V. I..	1	Jan. 25	" H. M. Cohen.

Abstract of Reports of Subordinate Lodges,

GIVING

THE NAMES OF WIVES AND WIDOWS OF MEMBERS,

WHO HAVE TAKEN THE

DEGREE OF REBEKAH, TERM ENDING DEC. 31st, 1867.

LODGES.	No.	DATE.	NAMES.
California.	1	Nov. 11	Mrs. H. Greenwood, A. E. Swain, M. Levy, Adam Cook, John Omalley, Thos. Couch, M. M. Dugan, W. W. Tucker, H. Rosecrans, Charles H. Hall, J. Beauchamp, J. Wignore, Richard Dyer, Joseph Gallinger, J. Blum, W. Worthington.
Sacramento ...	2		" Matthew Cook, J. S. Barnes, W. M. Shearer.
San Francisco.	3	Nov. 11	" Floyd Johnson, C. W. Ham, S. P. Jewell, H. W. Jones.
Eureka.	4	Oct. 8	" John Thomas.
		Nov. 17	" Mrs. S. Levy.
Autburn.	7	Nov. 14	" John C. Boggs, E. F. Holloy.
El Dorado.	8	Oct. 15	" M. Tobias, W. H. Hobby, Wm. Siddons, Charles Carpenter.
Yerba Buena..	15	July 16	" James Pennycook.
		Nov. 11	" Charles Phillips, Charles Kerstein, J. D. Irving, Geo. S. Dickey, Henry Chester, F. P. Dann, W. B. Barrington, Wm. Cameron, Anton Wertz, Charles A. Anderson, George J. Smith, J. P. Faller, C. W. Taber, Widow C. W. Littler.
Templar.	17	July 16	" P. M. Bowen.

LOGGES.	No.	DATE.	NAMES.	
Templar.....	17	Oct. 8	Mrs. Lorenzo Sawyer.	
		Nov. 11	" James Scrimgeour, George J. Hobe, James D. Bailey, Auguste Dolet, W. A. Bateman, J. C. Layton, W. Southwick, E. Peguillan, C. T. Pidwell, William H. Preston, Andrew V. Smith, H. T. Kellom.	
Napa.....	18	Sept. 16	" Esther Israelsky, Rebekah Steere.	
Yreka.....	19	Oct. 27	" Nannio C. Dunham, H. P. Dunham.	
Magnolia.....	29	Nov. 11	" Joe Volker, R. Meierhof.	
		Dec. 29	" H. Dedesky, P. Frehm, L. Lasson, H. Rossbach, L. Lastreto, H. Fishbach, James Johnson, J. Jensen, G. W. Corbell, H. Stern, H. Kohn, N. Raphael, G. S. Dana, M. Edwards.	
Sutter Creek ..	31	July 20	" C. E. Bishop.	
Mokelumne ...	44	Nov. 28	" Elias Fields, M. Gradwholl, H. B. Disbrow.	
Brooklyn	46	Nov. 24	" Mary Drimzer, L. Secord, J. F. Greely.	
Table Rock ...	49	Oct. 10	" C. W. Platt.	
San Andreas ...	50	July 13	" R. Davis.	
Misicotoe	54	July 7	" Ruth Bradbury, Lizzie Peppin.	
Cosumnes	63	July 30	" V. Hitchcock.	
Healdsburg ...	64	Aug. 17	" T. A. Duncon.	
		Oct. 4	" J. B. Fitch, J. A. Delno, H. Spencer.	
La Fayette ...	65	Aug. 16	" J. S. Williams.	
San Juan	67	Oct. 24	" O. H. Tufts, Louis Abrahams, John Davis, Richard Thomas.	
			" James Vance, Carrie E. Pyle.	
Mount Shasta.	70	July 21	" E. Briggs, L. Jacoby, H. Reese, P. Berwin, H. Kozminsky, S. W. Lovi, K. Strauss, S. J. Simon.	
Bay City.....	71	Nov. 11	" E. Edinger, F. Limpinsel.	
Franklin.....	74	Oct. 13	" C. M. Kopp, E. M. Thomas, J. E. Benton, Hans Anderson.	
Olive	81	Nov. 21	" W. A. Anderson, S. Johnson.	
Capitol	87	Oct. 8	" James W. Blake, E. W. Conover, John Gill.	
Four Creek ...	94	Aug. 10	" C. H. Townsend, I. D. Chace, O. A. Longley, Henry Call, Orville Root, Geo. Anthony.	
Braneforte....	96	Nov. 10	" H. Spierling, C. Lothhammer, C. Frisch.	
Schiller.....	105	Nov. 17	" J. S. Beardsley, C. V. Wolcott, W. N. Ballou.	
Abou Ben Ad.	112	Nov. 11	" F. A. S. Jones, L. S. Greenlaw, J. Lindemore.	
Webster		119	Sept. 7	" Edwin Janouny.
			Oct. 30	" George Büchert.
Concordia.....	122	Dec. 29	" Sarah C. Baxter, Josephine S. Norcross, Hannah P. Naudain, Harriet C. Mallory.	
Apollo	123	Nov. 11	" W. F. M. Goss.	
Summit	127	Nov. 2	" Cynthia M. Wormwood.	
Clear Lake....	130	Nov. 26	" E. Chapin, J. H. Pope, S. H. Small, J. G. Shelton, O. S. Mason, S. C. Chester.	
Colusa	133	Sept. 23	" U. S. Walcot, J. H. Weisgarber.	
Gold Run.....	139	Nov. 21	" William Zelner, E. R. Thomas.	
Victoria, V. I.	1	Dec. 15	"	

LIST OF SUBORDINATE LODGES, AND OFFICERS ELECTED,

Term ending December 31st, 1887, by I. O. O. F. of California and Jurisdiction, and term commencing January 1st, 1888.

LODGES.	No.	N. G.	V. G.	SECRETARY.	TREASURER.	PER. SECRETARY.
California.....	1	G. E. Underhill	Wm. Miller	J. J. Gallagher	Wm. Robinson	Edmond Lane
Sacramento.....	2	G. K. Van Heusen	T. J. McKim	Samuel Nixon	Theodore Mass.	Thos. C. Jones
San Francisco.....	3	Thos. H. Brooks	Chas. B. Putnam	Henry M. Gray	H. A. Hale	Harry F. Swain
Eureka.....	4	S. Zekind	Fred Mer.	Wm. L. Ustick	E. H. Astbury	W. C. Felch
Yuba.....	5	Jas. B. Leaman	V. L. Earnshild	R. E. Murphy	J. P. Scott	George Merritt
Charity.....	6	H. L. Farrington	A. Thornadite	R. E. Wilhoit	E. B. Parker	A. G. Brown
Anburn.....	7	E. F. Holley	Sanford Miller	T. Jameson, P. G.	Geo. W. McCreedy	James O. Loomis
El Dorado.....	8	T. C. Benteen	W. H. Hobby	J. N. Turpin	Jacob Rueff	John Talbot
Diamond Springs.....	9	Daniel Siesbittel	Joseph Chapman	M. S. Gilbert	Raphael Levy	James Letford
Sonora.....	10	John F. Edwards	John D. Redmond	A. M. Levy	Josiah Hall	Frank T. Baldwin
Stockton.....	11	John W. Hart	Jas. E. G. Bigger	Edward E. Hood	Morris Magnier	G. W. Anderson
Grass Valley.....	12	Aaron Hooper	Martin Quick	Geo. W. Anderson	C. C. Smith, P. G.	F. B. Meyerhofer
Harmony.....	13	Peter Sander	Peter Anthes	John Schierholds	Henry Hötzman	S. T. Sueditor
Mountain.....	14	H. L. Van Emen, P. G.	Peter V. Lemphe	Joseph Dilts, P. G.	H. C. Squire	Franklin Williams
Yerba Buena.....	15	W. L. Kolbmyer	F. P. Dann	I. D. Barnard	Ole Foson	A. R. Parker
Oustomah.....	16	E. F. Spencer	William R. Coe	Andw. H. Parker	W. K. Dietrich	C. T. Fidwell
Templar.....	17	John H. Titcomb	George J. Hobe	John F. Brown	E. Biggs	
Napa.....	18	E. N. Boyenton	A. Sampson	J. Israelsky	Louis Huseman	
Yreka.....	19	Samuel Pel et	Jacob Hanson	A. E. Paine	W. S. Burns	
Morning Star.....	20	Richard Maynard	W. H. Eveese	S. L. McFarlin	F. McPherson	
Tuchumne.....	21	W. A. Hanson	W. H. Hilton	W. H. Ryan	S. Altmark	
Solano.....	22	Max Burkardt	L. D. Sanborn	C. F. Pousland	A. B. Asher	
Sierra.....	24	D. L. Whitney	Joseph Martin	Chas. T. Tracy	Robert Raddick	J. S. Halsey
Volcano.....	25	Thos. A. Goodwin	Chas. D. Wilson	Jas. M. Hauford	T. P. Montgomery	
Mountain Rose.....	26	George Grant	L. A. Walling	George Finch	R. Chalmers	
Coloma.....	27	M. Shields	Chris. Johnson	K. J. Nichol		K. J. Nichol

Sonoma.....	28 J. O. Cook.....	S. J. Agnew.....	W. G. Marshall.....	Stephen Akers.....	Geo. W. Corbell.....
Magnolia.....	29 Ernest Suskind.....	Wm. E. Hansell.....	M. Morganstein.....	Jos. Lufkin.....	L. Ellsworth.....
Petaluma.....	30 Wm. Burnett.....	C. D. Frazee.....	W. A. Douglass.....	G. Warner.....	
Sattier Creek.....	31 Charles Weaver.....	J. H. Hammond.....	W. E. Finn.....	M. Brinn.....	George P. Field.....
Forest City.....	32 Henry Spaulding.....	John C. Gregg.....	Frank Deidell.....	Samuel Trifoar.....	
Hope.....	33 M. S. Torrey.....	E. H. Katz.....	Thomas Lee.....	Wm. Dougherty.....	Lewis Schoen.....
San Jose.....	34 D. Gerdes.....	A. Hinkelbein.....	J. H. Gregory.....	J. B. Hewson.....	Nathan Jacobs.....
Los Angeles.....	35 Constant Meyer.....	B. Cohen.....	M. Kremer.....	Daniel Schetick.....	Samuel Page.....
Jackson.....	36 L. Brandt.....	L. I. Dodge.....	Isaac P. Jackson.....	Isaac Tripp.....	Daniel Jerritt.....
Memento.....	37 G. W. Hayden.....	L. Crain.....	A. Barrett.....	Daniel Schwartz.....	C. H. Hoppert.....
Placer.....	38 P. Stone.....	C. Volland.....	A. Reynolds.....	John Smith.....	
Mariposa.....	39 J. O. Lovejoy.....	E. Shainfield.....	Ang. Reynolds.....	J. J. Cook.....	John King.....
Washington.....	40 M. D. Webber.....	J. M. Moulton.....	F. M. Emmouds.....	J. L. Welker.....	
Klamath.....	41 Ben. F. Dorris.....	Frank Burtchell.....	W. A. Hamilton.....	Jno. J. Dickinson.....	G. B. Edgcomb.....
San Pablo.....	42 Charles A. Kedde.....	George A. Poor.....	John Harris.....	Wm. Aspenall.....	S. S. Moser.....
Mokelumne.....	43 W. H. Leavitt.....	George Markwood.....	A. H. Hoersner.....	W. P. Peck.....	D. P. Derricksom.....
Oriental.....	44 C. N. Jenkins.....	L. S. Welch.....	Geo. B. Springer.....	M. W. Shuster.....	L. H. Heydlauff.....
Brooklyn.....	45 S. G. Lewis.....	Thomas Holmes.....	L. H. Heydlauff.....	M. E. Hyatt.....	
Bidwell.....	47 John Dick.....	H. P. Downer.....	Peter Freer.....	H. Hons.....	
Union.....	48 E. K. Wells.....	James Doyle.....	John Knottwell.....	D. Landes.....	
Table Rock.....	49 W. W. Williams.....	Thos. McGrath.....	W. R. Morgan.....	Wm. Stahl.....	
San Andreas.....	50 J. A. Foster.....	J. J. Seldner.....	E. C. Rowuth.....	John Steel.....	
Ione.....	51 O. N. Morse.....	C. B. Strong.....	W. H. Fox.....	D. Stewart.....	
Santa Clara.....	52 Jas. G. Barney.....	H. H. Roper.....	J. B. Moulin.....	J. H. Dibble.....	J. M. Billings.....
Santa Rosa.....	53 Wm. A. Eliason.....	Thos. Spencer.....	J. Doyehert.....	Paul Heisel.....	C. Kessing.....
Mistletoe.....	54 John T. Bradbury.....	Charles Stevens.....	John B. Peppin.....	M. M. Lowm.....	W. H. Booche.....
Minerva.....	55 A. B. Brown.....	H. M. Constable.....	R. J. Lemmon.....	J. R. Willey.....	H. Dorr.....
Polar Star.....	56 G. W. Weatherby.....	Charles Staples.....	M. D. L. Stumpf.....	Jos. West.....	
Shasta.....	57 Peter Hoff.....	Robert Pritchard.....	G. R. Knox.....	Laurenz Garricht.....	A. Bullerdeek.....
Mount Horeb.....	58 John Klein.....	A. Johnson.....	J. T. Davis.....	C. Vanamsdall.....	J. P. Leonard.....
Oroville.....	59 S. Bromberger.....	Daniel Eisenhardt.....	Jno. P. Leonard.....	Max Brooks.....	Wm. Wilson.....
North Star.....	60 John C. Dodge.....	William Rale.....	Frank W. Young.....	John M. Einfalt.....	
Granite.....	61 J. W. Stammer.....	C. H. Wilder.....	John Lawton.....	John H. Seymore.....	
Cosumnes.....	62 John J. Sullivan.....	A. C. Hitchcock.....	John Godart.....	Chaney Sanders.....	E. F. Gilmore.....
Healdsburg.....	63 James H. Curtiss.....	John Young.....	George Hall.....	David Bloom.....	
La Fayette.....	64 W. P. Grenfell.....	J. S. Clark.....	J. S. Williams.....	Wm. Floto.....	

List of Subordinate Lodges, and Officers Elected, Etc.—CONTINUED.

LODGES.	No.	N. G.	V. G.	SECRETARY.	TREASURER.	PER. SECRETARY.
Campo Seco.....	66	D. B. McDonald.	Joseph Kraft.	A. Chichester.	James Creighton.	J. E. Matteson.
San Juan.....	67	Jacob Gilbert.	A. L. Wilson.	J. E. Matteson.	C. W. Davis.	J. E. Matteson.
Big Tree.....	68	Isaiah Frazier.	Richard Edmonds.	T. J. Matteson.	R. Scuter.	
Mount Shasta.....	70	E. V. Brown.	Curt. H. Royle.	Robert Nixon.	H. Pfenniger.	
Bay City.....	71	Edgar Briggs.	B. Ortenstein.	Jos. Naphtaly.	Sam'l Steiner.	L. Schlesinger.
Covenant.....	73	James Bolland.	J. Q. Ackerman.	Wilson Hunt.	Leonard Remler.	Hugo Goebble.
Franklin.....	74	Henry Reading.	Charles Robles.	John Degehman.	Fred. Sieg.	Theo. Eislefeldson.
French Gulch.....	75	C. L. Watts.	James Sinclair.	J. P. Wright.	J. Franck.	
Red Bluff.....	76	F. J. French.	C. W. Feckert.	A. G. E. Schroder.	H. H. Burth.	Wm. Lowenfeld.
Humboldt.....	77	Wm. McKenna.	Charles Jackson.	Wm. S. Kapple.	P. S. Weaver.	David Erens.
Suisun.....	78	O. B. Powers.	W. G. Davison.	Henry Hubbard.	R. M. Clark.	Joel Price.
Tel. graph.....	79	E. A. Charleville.	James E. Bates.	Irwin F. Ostron.	Edwin A. Sloat.	
Aturas.....	80	S. S. Russell.	L. W. French.	E. R. Babcock.	B. W. Barnes.	
Olive.....	81	James Jameson.	Isaac T. Coffin.	John W. Beach.	Rodolph Hudepohl.	George W. Towl.
Mountain Brow.....	82	Spencer Pitman.	George Hanna.	Patrick Clark.	Michael Wilson.	
Yacaville.....	83	Fred. W. Meise.	S. G. Nethaland.	H. B. Ammons.	John D. Tilson.	John B. Merchant.
Comet.....	84	Noah Lowery.	H. H. Tolley.	E. R. Sikes.	Jacob Frust.	Marshal Murray.
Anniversary.....	85	John S. Thompson.	Jos. Greenbaum.	O. H. Spring.	J. T. S. Beck.	
Sharon.....	86		Thos. Prothero.	A. Johnston.	H. G. Davis.	
Capitol.....	87	A. L. Whitney.	G. B. Dean.	Ewd. Cadwalader.	John Kinsey.	P. L. Hickman.
Plumas.....	88	John S. Root.	A. O. Davis.	D. C. Hall.	Wm. Kinsey.	
Morning Light.....	89	Geo. W. Frater.	Nath. Lawrence.	Samuel J. Titus.	G. H. Roelke.	
Pajaro.....	90	J. R. Porter, P. G.	A. J. Jennings.	J. C. Gaster.	Edw. Martin, P. G.	
Flot Peak.....	91	J. Wammacher.	John M. Cain.	Wm. Kimball.	W. L. Pantin.	
Cherokee.....	92	Wm. H. Williams.	Samuel Glass.	Jas. G. Whitelaw.	Thomas McDanel.	
Crusade.....	93	E. W. Weley.	D. C. Owen.	W. Morris Liston.	A. W. Gragg.	W. F. Ingalls.
Four Creeks.....	94	Isaac Goldstein.	Chas. W. Powman.	Julius Levy, P. G.	John Gill.	
Franciforte.....	96	R. S. Robbins.	John W. Towne.	Jas. O. Wanzer.	Orville Root.	
Yo Semite.....	97	Geo. G. Goodhart.	L. K. Hough.	D. Abramson.	J. Ballou.	
Jefferson.....	98	John Lovinsky.	S. H. Artell.	George Crist.	H. Bentley.	Edward Young.

Hornitas.....	99 Geo. Chittenden.	Jos. Rosenthal	J. Y. Jones	S. G. Brownfield.
Sutter.....	100 C. W. Wilcox	E. W. Sheets	A. W. Oakley	L. B. Comstock
Marion.....	101 James Rainey	F. Redemive	M. Patton	Allen McLean
Scio.....	102 Richard Holland	Isaac S. Smith	James Wasley	John Wasley
Coulterville.....	104 John W. Smith	Anthony Eimo	J. Mentzer	Robert Arthur
Schiller.....	105 August Lehmann	P. Hollfelder	John Batcher	M. Steinnetz
Mineral.....	106 J. F. Milner	Barlow Dyer	Aaron Barker	J. M. Barker
Valley.....	107 Charles S. Butler	M. C. Bowen	J. Dallman, P. G.	J. F. Lislou
American.....	108 A. P. Barber	C. F. Krumholz	D. Ferguson	B. F. Cooper
Bay View.....	109 George W. Fox	Curtis Baird	H. N. Nutting	J. F. Retze
Oso.....	110 Maurice Newman	Etheridge Hunt	John B. Reed	J. W. Turner
Woodland.....	111 A. J. Hall	Adam Stiner	Daniel M. Burns	Geo. J. Oveashiner
Abon Ben Adhem.....	112 Wash. Taylor	La Fever A. Shaw	Asaph G. Wood	W. O. Gray
Chico.....	113 Israel Hall	R. H. Allen	Thomas Pyle	B. B. Baker
Mission Peak.....	114 C. P. Moulton	C. O. Babb	L. G. Yates	James Bezell
Fort Jones.....	115 W. B. Miller	S. Whitmore	Alex. Walker	A. B. Carlock
Germania.....	116 Chas. H. Holling	Chas. Weber	H. F. Maass	Charles Metzler
Pacheco.....	117 A. Thurber	J. Gambs	S. H. Whitmore	A. Nemeth
Oakland.....	118 Geo. H. Smith	F. Dolrnan	W. J. Garnett	D. Vogt
Webster.....	119 M. Maxwell	E. D. Black	Joseph Seely	Wm. Hyndman
Beld Mountain.....	120 John M. Bardwell	Carl J. P. Coana	Matthew Jamson	Geo. W. Custock
Willow.....	121 J. B. Sensesbaugh	W. F. James	Geo. E. Jamison	Thos. H. Patterson
Concordia.....	122 Fred'k Brunjes	Wm. Girzakowsky	Mar. Hencken	Gnst. Meyer
Apollo.....	123 G. G. Burnett	E. O. F. Hastings	L. B. Spencer	W. H. Baxter
Parker.....	124 Henry J. Hyland	R. R. Strain	J. B. Nandain	W. J. Tilley
Meadow Lake.....	125 S. Chambers	D. H. Rhodes	J. D. Man	R. W. Neagle
Samaritan.....	126 F. F. Marker	A. F. Mason	H. F. Wilkeson	H. Striker
Sunmit.....	127 O. J. Shattuck	John S. Wilson	John K. Walls	T. A. McFarland
Mount Diablo.....	128 John G. Davis	Thomas S. Brown	Walter Nellis	William Prosser
Sycamore.....	129 William Meek	G. E. Smith	M. W. Levy	D. S. Smalley
Clear Lake.....	130 Wm. C. Goldsmith	Joseph Getz	Hiram Allen	Joseph D. Adams
Unity.....	131 Gilbert Tinker	R. W. Coffin	E. W. Park	I. Bernard
Colfax.....	132 N. R. D. Traphezen	A. H. Goodrich	G. B. McCollough	Jacob Keck
Colusa.....	133 A. S. Culp	J. H. Pope	Henry Peyton	J. H. Liening
Progressive.....	134 S. P. Sablin	L. C. Flanders	W. D. Smith	E. E. Thrift
Silver Star.....	135 Wm. Brockman	E. P. Soule	A. A. Smith	J. W. Smith

List of Subordinate Lodges and Officers Elected, etc.—CONCLUDED.

LODGES.	No.	N. G.	V. G.	SECRETARY.	TREASURER.	PER. SECRETARY.
Indian Valley	136	J. S. Carter	E. M. Prime	J. B. Shreves	H. Robinson	
Soquel	137	D. J. Comming	Henry Bischee	J. A. Brown, P. G.	James L. Grover	G. C. Wardwell
Bohen	138	Frank R. Motton	Peter Wence	Marks Levy	Herman Jacoby	S. B. Vaughn
Gold Run	139	J. A. Stone	N. A. Beaver	H. A. Umah	Thornton King	Wm. H. Hunt
Mountain Vale	140	Joseph Ensco	W. T. Hamilton	B. F. Lemmon	T. F. Battell	
Millville	141	John Ellis	Erastus Wagoner	D. C. Stevenson	Reuben Pearce	
Garden City	142	C. C. Cook	Robert Scott	A. P. Hulse	C. W. Pomeroy	H. E. Hills
Ocean View	143	S. W. Sonecker	W. A. Clark	J. P. Ames	R. L. Mattingly	
Victoria, V. I.	1	Charles Gowen	J. P. Davies	Josina Davies	Robert Lettice	James Gillon
Excelsior, S. I.	4	J. Renton	B. R. Davison	E. Delman	R. Lewers	E. Dolman

ABSTRACT OF THE REPORTS OF SUBORDINATE LODGES

Under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of California, I. O. O. F., from December 31st, 1866, to July 1st, 1867.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NUMBERS.	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	Initiated.	Admitted by Card.	Admitted as A. O. F.	Admitted as N. A. O. F.	Rejected.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Suspended.	Ceased Membership.	Reinstated.	Deceased.	Degrees conferred.	Members in good standing.	No. of Past Grands.	REVENUE.
California.....	1	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	Monday.....	26	5	2	4	5	1	1	1	1	7	1	122	275	39	4225 25
Sacramento.....	2	Sacramento.....	Sacramento.....	Saturday.....	13	2	4	2	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	56	184	33	2938 35
San Francisco.....	3	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	Friday.....	16	5	4	4	1	1	1	1	10	3	1	45	197	34	2273 10
Eureka.....	4	Sacramento.....	Sacramento.....	Wednesday.....	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3	1	59	110	20	1444 31
Yuba.....	5	Marysville.....	Yuba.....	Tuesday.....	25	2	2	2	1	11	1	1	3	3	1	63	145	21	1946 69
Charity.....	6	Stockton.....	San Joaquin.....	Wednesday.....	7	2	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	9	147	32	1103 00
Auburn.....	7	Auburn.....	Placer.....	Saturday.....	13	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	36	49	12	1208 07
El Dorado.....	8	Sacramento.....	Sacramento.....	Monday.....	10	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	2	3	1	32	130	18	1867 75
Diamond Springs.....	9	Diamond Springs.....	El Dorado.....	Wednesday.....	3	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	2	1	10	30	18	393 25
Sonora.....	10	Sonora.....	Tuolumne.....	Wednesday.....	4	1	1	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	36	93	18	1004 25
Stockton.....	11	Stockton.....	San Joaquin.....	Friday.....	5	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	24	95	18	865 60
Grass Valley.....	12	Grass Valley.....	Nevada.....	Thursday.....	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	86	27	1058 75
Harmony.....	13	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	Tuesday.....	12	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	67	305	33	4392 00
Mountain.....	14	Michigan City.....	Placer.....	Saturday.....	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	15	35	11	294 72
Yerba Buena.....	15	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	Thursday.....	43	6	3	3	2	9	1	1	15	4	8	203	441	41	6715 76
Oustamah.....	16	Nevada City.....	Nevada.....	Tuesday.....	3	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	20	77	16	774 00
Templar.....	17	San Francisco.....	San Francisco.....	Wednesday.....	47	3	3	4	1	2	1	1	6	1	1	139	349	34	5436 75
Napa.....	18	Napa City.....	Napa.....	Thursday.....	15	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	38	69	11	245 00
Yreka.....	19	Yreka.....	Siskiyou.....	Thursday.....	15	3	1	1	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	54	98	14	978 36
Morning Star.....	20	Placerville.....	El Dorado.....	Saturday.....	17	1	1	1	3	3	1	1	3	3	1	23	53	13	1529 35
Tuolumne.....	21	Columbia.....	Tuolumne.....	Tuesday.....	5	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	15	15	10	674 30
Solano.....	22	Benicia.....	Solano.....	Monday.....	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	22	64	13	115 00
Sierra.....	24	Downieville.....	Sierra.....	Thursday.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	11	17	327 00
Volcano.....	25	Volcano.....	Anador.....	Saturday.....	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	70	17	519 16

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Coloma	27	Coloma	El Dorado	Saturday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7	34	14	\$227 35
Sonoma	28	Sonoma	Sonoma	Wednesday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	20	9	173 75
Magnolia	29	San Francisco	San Francisco	Tuesday	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	73	167	11	2027 85
Petaluma	30	Petaluma	Sonoma	Tuesday	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	61	18	487 90
Sutter Creek	31	Sutter Creek	Amador	Monday	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	75	16	712 80
Forest City	32	Forest City	Sierra	Saturday	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	42	7	395 75
Hope	33	Angel's Camp	Calaveras	Thursday	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	23	7	355 00
San Jose	34	San Jose	Santa Clara	Wednesday	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	58	13	434 41
Los Angeles	35	Los Angeles	Los Angeles	Wednesday	11	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	46	61	9	965 65
Jackson	36	Jackson	Amador	Saturday	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13	65	15	555 35
Memento	37	Georgetown	El Dorado	Thursday	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	40	12	410 50
Placer	38	Iowa Hill	Placer	Thursday	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	38	11	413 00
Mariposa	39	Mariposa	Mariposa	Tuesday	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	22	7	966 20
Washington	40	Yankee Jim's	Placer	Thursday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	22	12	215 48
Klamath	41	Crescent City	Del Norte	Thursday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	36	43	11	247 00
San Pablo	42	Vallejo	Solano	Monday	5	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	52	84	17	576 57
Mokelumne	43	Mokelumne Hill	Calaveras	Thursday	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	75	166	16	1000 66
Oroville	44	Marysville	Yuba	Thursday	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	68	19	2467 73
Brooklyn	45	Red Dog	Nevada	Thursday	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	44	65	15	782 30
Butwell	46	Oroville	Butte	Wednesday	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	32	8	740 75
Union	47	Eureka South	Nevada	Saturday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	32	8	407 25
Table Rock	48	St. Louis	Sierra	Saturday	7	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	28	50	6	623 00
San Andreas	49	San Andreas	Calaveras	Thursday	7	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	61	11	660 75
Sonoma	50	San Andreas	Calaveras	Saturday	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	11	28	8	328 50
Ione	51	Lone City	Amador	Tuesday	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21	58	17	437 00
Santa Clara	52	Santa Clara	Santa Clara	Tuesday	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	40	7	483 00
Santa Rosa	53	Santa Rosa	Sonoma	Thursday	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	40	7	483 00

APPENDIX.

Mistletoe	Sierra	6	1	2	29	7	\$886
Minerva	Placer	1	1	1	2	12	246
Polar Star	El Dorado	1	1	1	9	16	282
Shasta	Shasta	3	2	1	32	16	587
Mount Horreb	Tuolumne	4	1	1	17	12	296
Oroville	Butte	9	1	1	69	10	1272
North Star	Trinity	5	1	1	57	16	610
Granite	Sacramento	2	1	1	21	10	802
Cosumnes	El Dorado	5	1	1	8	8	509
Healdsburg	Sonoma	1	1	1	8	7	175
La Fayette	Stanislaus	8	2	1	30	3	205
Campo Seco	Calaveras	14	1	1	61	10	308
San Juan	Nevada	10	1	1	107	19	1475
Big Tree	Calaveras	10	1	1	17	7	947
Mt. Shasta	Siskiyou	9	3	1	55	10	947
Bay City	San Francisco	4	2	1	34	22	1503
Covenant	Placer	3	1	1	19	13	554
Franklin	El Dorado	2	1	1	52	12	633
French Gulch	Shasta	1	1	1	45	12	205
Red Bluff	Tehama	4	1	1	11	11	50
Humboldt	Humboldt	4	3	1	4	12	466
Suisun	Solano	6	2	1	18	13	538
Telegraph	Ameador	1	1	1	31	12	149
Althas	Sierra	1	1	1	61	8	636
Olive	La Porte	2	1	1	12	12	1008
Mountain Brow	Tuolumne	16	1	1	34	54	428
Vacaville	Solano	8	1	1	32	10	85
Comet	Trinity	5	1	1	15	15	728
Anniversary	Humboldt	2	1	1	8	11	105
Sharon	Calaveras	2	2	1	6	19	481
Capitol	Sacramento	11	1	1	62	149	170
Plumas	Plumas	1	1	1	7	23	216
Morning Light	El Dorado	4	1	1	4	42	279
Pajaro	Santa Cruz	4	2	1	4	13	451
Pilot Peak	Sierra	2	2	1	7	25	9
Cherokee	Butte	1	1	3	19	19	147
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Crusade	93	Alvarado	Alameda	Saturday	4				1							84	11	458 40
Four Creeks	94	Four Creeks	Lake	Monday	12		3		2				1	1	32	39	4	617 62
Branciforte	96	Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	Friday	22	4	2		5			2	1	1	63	88	13	1160 75
Yo Semite	97	Big Oak Flat	Tuolumne	Saturday	6				1						9	21	6	187 64
Jefferson	98	Woodbridge	San Joaquin	Thursday	4				1				1		12	38	10	570 40
Hornitas	99	Hornitas	Mariposa	Wednesday	2				2				1		2	31	9	207 50
Sutter	100	Nicolans	Sutter	Saturday	3				5			3			2	25	7	180 50
Marion	101	Sawyer's Bar	Klamath	Saturday	3				2				1		23	24	8	352 50
Seto	102	Foreman's Ranch	San Joaquin	Thursday	1				1						3	47	12	486 10
Coulterville	104	Coulterville	Mariposa	Friday	6				1			3			15	39	5	1958 50
Schiller	105	Sacramento	Sacramento	Thursday	6	1	1		2			2		1	25	126	9	538 23
Mineral	106	Copperopolis	Calaveras	Thursday	7	2	1		3			2	1	1	26	50	7	771 85
Valley	107	Lincoln	Placer	Thursday	4				3						20	45	6	771 85
American	108	Deadwood	Placer	Saturday	5				2						18	89	8	93 00
Bay View	109	Redwood City	San Mateo	Wednesday	5								1	1	38	69	9	701 50
Oso	110	Bear Valley	Mariposa	Thursday	2				3						13	57	9	450 50
Woodland	111	Woodland	Yolo	Thursday	6				3				1		27	43	10	516 95
Abou Ben Adhem	112	San Francisco	San Francisco	Saturday	25	1	5		1						97	141	19	2896 13
Chico	113	Chico	Butte	Thursday	11				3					2	46	60	4	806 60
Mission Peak	114	Washington Cor's	Alameda	Wednesday	1				1						12	30	7	515 18
Fort Jones	115	Fort Jones	Siskiyou	Saturday	3		2		1				1		13	42	6	418 50
Germania	116	San Francisco	San Francisco	Wednesday	10				2						98	204	9	2611 65
Pacheco	117	Pacheco	Contra Costa	Wednesday	5				3						14	55	5	623 25
Oakland	118	Oakland	Alameda	Tuesday	18				3						86	49	5	184 00
Webster	119	Marbleville	Alpine	Wednesday	18				1						17		2	
Bald Mountain	120	Last Chance	Placer	Wednesday	18				1						17		2	

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Under the jurisdiction of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of California, I. O. F., from June 30th, 1867, to December 31st, 1867.

NAMES OF LODGES.	NUMBERS	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	Inited.	Admitted by Card.	Admitted as Annet Old Fellow.	Reinstated.	Whitewash.	Expelled.	Suspended.	Deceased.	Quested Membership for non-payment of dues	Members in good Standing.	Rejected.	Degrees conferred.	Past Grand.	REVENUE.
California	1	San Francisco.	San Francisco.	Monday	15	4	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	287	3	108	37	\$ 4899 95
Sacramento	2	Sacramento	Sacramento	Saturday	16	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	199	2	70	33	3130 50
San Francisco	3	San Francisco.	San Francisco.	Friday	21	5	1	2	3	4	1	1	1	224	2	64	35	2398 31
Eureka,	4	Sacramento	Sacramento	Wednesday.	8	1	1	1	3	4	1	2	1	119	2	25	21	1094 75
Yuba	5	Marysville	Yuba	Tuesday	12	1	1	1	1	5	1	2	9	143	1	64	21	2251 55
Charity	6	Stockton	San Joaquin	Wednesday.	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	155	1	23	33	1249 10
Auburn	7	Auburn	Placer	Saturday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	48	1	3	12	360 70
El Dorado	8	Sacramento	Sacramento	Monday	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	5	128	2	22	17	1693 65
Diamond Springs	9	Diamond Springs	El Dorado.	Wednesday.	1	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	26	1	1	6	183 00
Sonora	10	Sonora	Tuolumne	Wednesday.	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	3	90	1	9	16	866 42
Stockton	11	Stockton	San Joaquin	Friday	12	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	110	2	38	20	1118 50
Grass Valley	12	Grass Valley	Nevada	Thursday	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	89	3	15	25	1013 00
Harmony	13	San Francisco.	San Francisco.	Tuesday	7	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	313	1	45	34	2418 40
Mountain	14	Michigan City	Placer	Saturday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	36	1	12	12	156 30
Yuba Buena.	15	San Francisco.	San Francisco.	Thursday	36	4	1	1	2	6	1	5	6	467	1	155	42	6775 07
Ostunmah	16	Nevada City	Nevada	Tuesday	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	81	1	19	17	772 75
Templar	17	San Francisco.	San Francisco.	Wednesday	37	6	2	2	2	1	1	1	2	359	9	219	38	5963 70
Napa	18	Napa City	Napa	Thursday	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	44	1	19	10	453 75
Yreka	19	Yreka	Siskiyou	Thursday	2	1	1	2	5	1	1	1	1	68	1	28	10	634 84
Morning Star	20	Placerville	El Dorado	Saturday	9	3	1	4	3	1	1	1	1	109	1	48	16	1429 84
Tuolumne	21	Columbia	Tuolumne	Tuesday	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	57	2	7	13	471 00
Sulano	22	Benicia	Sulano	Monday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	1	3	8	88 50
Sierra	24	Downville	Sierra	Thursday	8	2	1	3	6	1	1	1	1	69	2	20	13	1047 00
Volcano	25	Volcano	Amador.	Saturday	3	1	2	2	2	2	1	1	3	72	1	16	18	462 93

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NAMES OF LODGES.	NUMBERS	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	NIGHT OF MEETING.	Initiated	Admitted by Curr.	Admitted as Anct. Odd Fellow.	Adm'd as Non-Aff.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Deceased.	Ceased membership for non-payment.	Members in good Standing.	Refected.	Degrees confer'd.	Past (travels)	REVENUE.
Healdsburg.	64	Healdsburg	Sonoma.	Tuesday	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	84	1	16	8	315 75
La Fayette.	65	La Grange.	Stanislaus	Thursday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	24	2	2	3	174 60
Campo Seco.	66	Campo Seco.	Calaveras	Thursday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30	1	10	1	206 00
San Juan.	67	North San Juan.	Nevada	Monday	6	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	3	107	1	22	21	949 44
Big Tree.	68	Murphy's	Calaveras	Friday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	1	7	7	55 88
Mount Shasta.	70	Yreka	Siskiyou	Friday	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	53	1	13	9	460 50
Bay City.	71	San Francisco.	San Francisco	Monday	6	4	1	1	1	2	1	1	6	170	1	22	25	2511 95
Covenant.	73	Forest Hill.	Placer.	Wednesday	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	52	1	14	14	353 75
Franklin.	74	Placerville	El Dorado.	Friday	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	45	1	5	13	378 50
French Gulch.	75	French Gulch	Shasta	Saturday	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	24	24	8	9	319 50	
Red Bluff.	76	Red Bluff	Tehama	Tuesday	6	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	24	45	13	12	663 75	
Humboldt	77	Eureka	Humboldt.	Monday	7	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	54	1	6	13	536 90	
Suisun.	78	Suisun	Solano	Monday	8	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	2	56	2	18	15	530 50
Telegraph	79	Fiddletown.	Amador.	Wednesday	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	31	1	11	11	211 75
Ahturas	80	La Porte	Sierra	Saturday	1	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	3	58	1	10	10	673 50
Olive	81	Dutch Flat.	Placer	Saturday	10	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	3	58	2	73	13	1017 56
Mountain Brow.	82	Chinese Camp.	Tuolumne.	Wednesday	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	37	1	18	11	351 25
Vacaville	83	Yacaville	Solano	Saturday	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	51	1	14	14	259 75
Comet.	84	Trinity Center.	Trinity	Saturday	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	1	6	5	111 00
Anniversary	85	Arcata.	Humboldt.	Saturday	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	55	1	19	12	463 25
Sharon.	86	Valecito.	Calaveras	Wednesday	6	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	2	152	1	33	17	1662 10
Capitol	87	Sacramento	Sacramento	Friday	17	7	5	5	2	2	1	1	2	152	1	33	17	1662 10
Plumas	88	Quincy.	Plumas	Wednesday	17	7	5	5	2	2	1	1	2	34	1	59	3	988 50
Morning Light.	89	Spanish Flat	El Dorado	Wednesday	2	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	25	1	5	7	174 00
Pajaro.	90	Watsonville	Santa Cruz.	Saturday	6	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	3	47	1	13	14	443 00
Pilot Peak.	91	Gibsonville.	Sierra	Thursday	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	23	1	8	8	525 00

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Cherokee	92	Cherokee Flat	Butte	1	1	17	4	11	\$	86
Crusade	93	Alvarado	Alameda	4	2	36	1	1	23	12
Four Creeks	94	Visalia	Tulare	4	1	39	1	1	23	3
Branciforte	96	Santa Cruz	Santa Cruz	8	3	96	4	4	810	75
Yo Semite	97	Big Oak Flat	Tuolumne	2	1	23	1	7	232	90
Jefferson	98	Woodbridge	San Joaquin	7	1	43	2	10	546	95
Hornitas	99	Hornitas	Mariposa	2	3	30	1	8	157	00
Sutter	100	Nicolaus	Sutter	1	1	25	1	7	130	50
Marion	101	Sawyer's Bar	Klamath	1	1	24	2	5	193	00
Seio	102	Foreman's Ranch	San Joaquin	1	1	46	2	12	291	50
Coulterville	104	Coulterville	Mariposa	1	1	35	1	6	302	83
Schiller	105	Sacramento	Sacramento	6	3	126	1	8	214	42
Mineral	106	Copperopolis	Calaveras	1	1	49	2	6	297	92
Valley	107	Lincoln	Placer	2	1	41	1	9	453	21
American	108	Deadwood	Placer	2	3	17	1	17	113	00
Bay View	109	Redwood City	San Mateo	5	1	70	1	11	600	15
Oso	110	Bear Valley	Mariposa	1	2	52	2	7	265	00
Woodland	111	Woodland	Yolo	2	1	45	2	10	490	05
Abot Ben Adhem	112	San Francisco	San Francisco	24	3	172	1	20	2439	00
Chico	113	Chico	Butte	7	2	68	1	16	507	45
Mission Peak	114	Washington Cor's	Alameda	1	1	31	1	8	373	50
Fort Jones	115	Fort Jones	Siskiyou	4	4	42	4	6	351	25
Germania	116	San Francisco	San Francisco	11	2	211	2	31	2680	90
Pacheco	117	Pacheco	Contra Costa	9	1	46	1	19	356	10
Oakland	118	Oakland	Alameda	3	3	66	1	8	853	75
Webster	119	Marbleville	Alpine	6	1	54	2	6	466	25
Bald Mountain	120	Last Chance	Placer	1	1	17	1	3	206	37
Willow	121	Snelling	Merced	5	2	46	2	4	437	25
Concordia	122	San Francisco	San Francisco	24	5	172	5	4	2666	15
Apollo	123	San Francisco	San Francisco	20	1	171	1	11	1649	21
Parker	124	San Francisco	San Francisco	30	5	195	2	15	2053	25
Meadow Lake	125	Meadow Lake	Nevada	3	1	25	1	7	951	49
Sanarican	126	Washington	Nevada	6	2	17	1	2	124	50
Summit	127	Howland Flat	Sierra	6	1	32	1	28	668	00

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NAMES OF LODGES.	NUMBERS	LOCATION.	COUNTY.	NIGHT OF MEETING	Initiated.	Admitted as Apprentices.	Admitted as Non-Members.	Reinstated.	Withdrawn.	Expelled.	Suspended.	Deceased.	Ceased Membership for non-payment of dues.	Members in good standing.	Rejected.	Degrees conferred.	No. of Past Grands	REVENUE.
Mt. Diablo	128	Somerville	Contra Costa	Saturday	19	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	53	3	76	3	8	1152 50
Sycamore	129	Haywards	Alameda	Monday	11	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	51	3	20	1	1	555 50
Clear Lake	130	Clear Lake	Lake	Wednesday	4	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	45	1	25	4	4	323 50
Unity	131	Mission Dolores	San Francisco	Tuesday	23	8	2	..	2	..	..	..	31	4	67	2	2	893 25
Colfax	132	Colfax	Placer	Saturday	21	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	12	1	28	2	2	451 62
Colusa	133	Colusa	Colusa	Wednesday	6	12	5	2	..	..	..	..	43	1	87	2	2	1259 00
Silver Star	134	Lockford	San Joaquin	Saturday	16	10	1	..	1	..	..	..	26	2	29	2	2	821 88
Progressive	135	Susanville	Lassen	Thursday	4	7	3	3	1	..	..	..	15	2	18	1	4	425 00
Indian Valley	136	Taylorville	Plumas	Saturday	11	9	6	..	..	..	..	..	28	..	22	4	4	535 00
Soquel	137	Soquel	Santa Cruz	Wednesday	11	5	1	4	..	..	..	..	21	..	38	2	2	556 00
Bohen	138	Whittington	Los Angeles	Monday	17	10	1	..	..	..	..	..	28	2	73	..	..	735 25
Gold Run	139	Gold Run	Placer	Friday	6	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	..	28	1	1	483 95
Mountain Vale	140	Sierra Valley	Sierra	Friday	7	6	1	1	..	..	..	..	15	..	23	1	1	354 50
Victoria, V. I.	1	Victoria	Colony of V. I.	Monday	12	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	84	..	65	7	7	1127 50
Sandwich I.	1	Honolulu	Sandwich I.	Tuesday	2	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	38	..	3	14	14	440 88
Excelsior	1	Honolulu	Sandwich I.	Tuesday	2	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	38	..	3	14	14	440 88
Totals					829,198	49,465,824	9,350	135,926	108,389	1,589	\$111,793 56							

EXPELLED.—S. W. Forbes, from Lodge No. 24, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; F. H. Keser, from Lodge No. 30, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; Wm. N. Pascoe, from Lodge No. 38, contempt; A. M. C. Busan, from Lodge No. 55, contempt; W. A. Kins, from Lodge No. 57, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; John Kreggle, from Lodge No. 82, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; Thos. S. Levy, from Lodge No. 107, fraud; J. W. Rosser, from Lodge No. 121, contempt; D. M. Hanson, from Lodge No. 130, contempt.

SUSPENDED.—N. Jacobs, from Lodge No. 60, two years, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; S. F. Herruth, from Lodge No. 116, five years, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow; Marshal Hitzman, from Lodge No. 127, one year, conduct unbecoming an Odd Fellow.

RESIGNED.—Member from Bay City Lodge, No. 71.

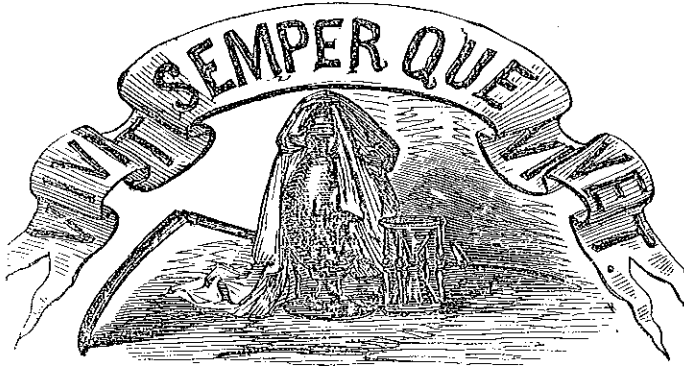
Abstract of the Annual Report of Relief—Continued.

NAMES OF LODGES.	Numbers.	Number of Brothers Relieved.	No. of Widowed Families Relieved.	Number of Brothers putted.	Paid for Relief of Brothers.	Paid for Relief of Widowed Families.	Paid for Education of Orphans.	Paid for Buying the Dead.	Amount of Money in the Treasury.	Amount of Investments.	Amount of Widows' and Orphans' Fund.	Total Expended.	Number of Members.
Crusade	83	2	1	2	12 00	25 00	.....	104 75	515 50	500 00	.....	141 75	34
Four Creeks	94	2	1	2	146 00	110 00	.....	.....	417 97	3267 69	.....	256 00	39
Branciforte	96	5	2	.....	180 00	.....	76 50	.....	415 61	70 00	212 69	206 50	88
Yo Semite	97	6	.....	.....	37 00	.....	.....	.....	1062 86	1600 00	.....	37 00	20
Jefferson	98	3	.....	.....	56 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	39
Hornitas	99	1	.....	.....	45 00	.....	.....	.....	216 25	.....	.....	56 00	31
Sutter	100	2	.....	.....	80 00	.....	.....	.....	46 75	430 00	.....	45 00	25
Marion	101	6	.....	.....	130 00	.....	.....	.....	451 50	305 00	.....	80 00	24
S-cro.	102	1	.....	.....	230 00	.....	.....	.....	857 00	600 00	270 00	130 00	47
Coulterville	104	3	.....	.....	938 00	30 00	.....	145 00	131 87	4061 30	.....	230 00	39
Schiller	105	24	1	1	67 00	.....	.....	.....	694 14	.....	5 00	1113 00	126
Mineral	106	5	.....	.....	263 50	.....	.....	.....	16 13	1750 00	57 00	67 00	50
Valley	107	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	444 43	1000 00	.....	263 50	45
American	108	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	438 15	1591 97	.....	.....	18
Bay View	109	6	.....	1	127 50	.....	.....	100 00	156 52	1713 00	.....	227 50	69
Oso	110	5	.....	.....	206 00	.....	.....	.....	557 31	250 00	.....	206 00	57
Woodland	111	2	.....	.....	457 00	.....	.....	.....	413 67	5000 00	.....	457 00	43
Abou Ben Adhem	112	42	.....	3	704 00	.....	.....	422 20	.....	.....	.....	1126 20	141
Chico	113	2	.....	.....	14 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	14 00	60
Mission Peak	114	2	.....	1	75 00	.....	.....	50 00	.....	.....	.....	125 00	30
Fort Jones	115	7	.....	.....	91 00	.....	.....	132 00	328 25	2500 00	.....	223 00	41
Germania	116	36	3	1	1587 00	285 00	.....	461 00	1117 93	7951 00	.....	2333 00	204
Pacheco	117	1	1	.....	6 00	38 00	.....	.....	70 81	900 00	173 87	44 00	44
Oakland	118	1	1	2	130 00	100 00	465 21	1000 00	230 00	54
Webster	119	5	102 00	95 58	102 00	49
Bald Mountain	120	1	8 00	8 00	17

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Willow	121	2	1	72 00	50 81	73 85	1200 00	122 81	41	
Concordia	122	13	1	814 50	120 00	888 50	1173 32	3600 00	1000 32	1271 00	143	
Apollo	123	2	.....	289 00	.....	.....	1394 61	1949 75	.....	289 00	152
Parker	124	7	.....	268 50	.....	.....	815 90	1597 75	.....	268 50	100
Meadow Lake	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	170 37	.....	.....	.....	24
Samaritan	126	.....	.....	.....	.....	50 00	203 77	.....	.....	.....	17
Summit	127	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 38	985 00	.....	50 00	27
Mount Diablo	128	.....	.....	37 00	.....	.....	202 98	300 00	.....	37 00	30
Sycamore	129	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	423 03	.....	.....	.....	40
Clear Lake	130	4	.....	21 00	.....	.....	310 25	426 10	.....	21 00	42
Vancouver's L.	1	6	.....	108 00	.....	.....	381 82	1250 00	400 25	108 00	74
Victoria	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Sandwich Isl'd.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Excelsior	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	..
Totals	1041	58	62	\$42,470 73	\$5,554 70	\$1,025 05	\$6,462 00	\$62,478 35	\$375,494 63	\$29,421 76	\$55,512 00	8468



JAMES A. J. BOHEN.

BORN

At Baltimore, Maryland, October 22d, A. D. 1828.

INITIATED

Into Yerba Buena Lodge, No. 15, I. O. O. F., at San Francisco,
September 22d, A. D. 1853.

INSTALLED

As Noble Grand of the same Lodge, January 3d, A. D. 1856.

ADMITTED

Into the R. W. Grand Lodge of the State of California,
May 12th, A. D. 1857.

INSTALLED

As M. W. Grand Master of the R. W. Grand Lodge of California,
May 9th, A. D. 1862.

ADMITTED

As a Member of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States,
September 19th, A. D. 1864.

DIED

At San Francisco, California, May 25th, A. D. 1867.

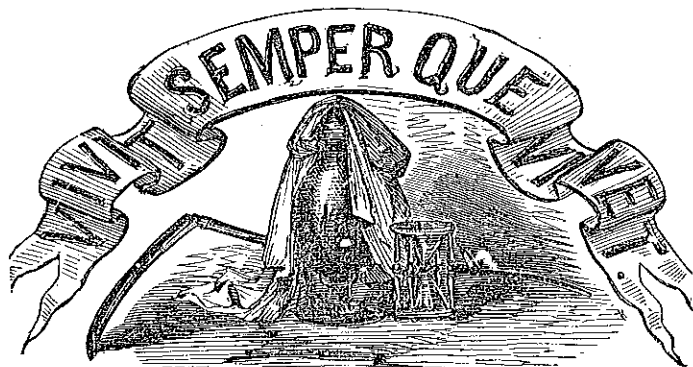
FAREWELL ADDRESS

OF

P. G. MASTER JAMES A. J. BOHEN.

[On the evening of May 23d, 1867, while Yerba Buena Lodge, No. 15, was in session, it was whispered around that Past Grand Master JAMES A. J. BOHEN, who was a member of that Lodge, was dying. The Lodge immediately closed, and its members repaired to his residence, where as many as could get into the room gathered around his bed. Bro. Bohlen had been in a very low state for many hours, scarcely able to speak above a whisper. Upon their entry, he inquired the cause of their visit. Upon being informed, he had himself propped up in bed, and seeming to gain strength from inspiration, though still in broken accents, he addressed them as follows—his remarks being, unknown to him, taken down by a brother present]:

BROTHERS:—I had hoped to speak to you again in the Lodge; but now, while so many of you are present, I deem it a fitting opportunity, and will avail myself of it, to thank you for your incessant manifestations of kindness and attention to me during my illness. It is a consolation for me to know that I hold an endearing place in the hearts and memories of the brothers of our beloved Order; and I hope that when you are placed as I am now, you may be the recipients of like kindness and attention. I have received from the Order more than I have been entitled to or deserved; but I am not ungrateful, and I wish you on my behalf to thank the members of the Lodge and the Encampment, and the entire fraternity, for the many favors and manifestations of esteem they have shown to me. Adversity is the test of friendship; and now, while I am so low, to have so many friends around me! I know I am going down the stream of time; I know my remaining days are but few. I am so weak, I am hardly able to follow out a train of thought. I know I shall shortly be in the hands of death—in the hands of my Maker; but I have made my peace with God and the world, and I am prepared to die; and when my time comes, I am ready to receive the reward my Maker deems I am justly entitled to. I firmly believe in the great vital principles of Christianity. I believe that Jesus Christ died to save sinners; not me alone, but all humanity. I do not believe that any council can bind me to a belief that is contrary to the dictates of my conscience. I am therefore a Protestant. I do not believe in select Christianity—that because persons have been immersed, or undergone any peculiar formalities, they alone are selected to be saved, or that a certain few in a corner are to be saved. I have nothing to do with dogmas, creeds, or sects, but I believe that Christianity is for all people, for all mankind. I exhort you, brothers, in your daily works of life to exemplify the beauties of Odd Fellowship—to live moral and religious lives—to be charitable, to be generous, to be just.



DEATHS.

- Past Grand JOHN Q. PIPER, of California Lodge, No. 1.
 Worthy Grand Conductor THOMAS F. BAYLIS, of Petaluma
 Lodge, No. 30.
- Past Grand HIRAM L. CACH, of Eureka Lodge, No. 4.
 Past Grand CHARLES SMITH, of Sonora Lodge, No. 10.
 Past Grand C. W. LITTLER, of Yerba Buena Lodge, No. 15.
 Past Grand J. R. BATCHELOR, of Coloma Lodge, No. 27.
 Past Grand JOHN SHEFFIELD, of Los Angeles Lodge, No. 35.
 Past Grand LUTHER B. CURTIS, of Memento Lodge, No. 37.
 Past Grand JAMES H. GORDON, of Klamath Lodge, No. 41.
 Past Grand R. EDMUND, of Big Tree Lodge, No. 68.
 Past Grand HENRY WILLIAMS, of Yosemite Lodge, No. 97.
 Past Grand JOSIAH F. GREELY, of Coulterville Lodge, No. 104.
 Past Grand J. W. LEHMAN, of Schiller Lodge, No. 105.