

"ically, and for such conduct shall be liable to be expelled from all the rights and privileges of Masonry, and shall be ineligible to membership or office in this Grand Lodge."

As the question of so-called higher orders or rites has made but little progress in this jurisdiction, we do not deem it necessary to discuss the subject. We have decided opinions in the matter which, at any rate for the present, for prudential reasons, we prefer keeping to ourselves.

M.: W.: Bro. A. H. Howland, Boston, Grand Master.

R.: W.: Bro. Sereno D. Nickerson, Boston, Grand Secretary.

MINNESOTA, 1884.

The 31st annual communication was held at St. Paul, 15th Jan., 1884, M.: W.: Bro. E. H. Benton, Grand Master, presiding. His address presents a full report of business transacted by him during the year.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is from the Grand Secretary, R.: W.: Bro. Pierson. Quebec receives a fraternal notice.

The Grand Secretary thus reports on Finances:—"When I was elected Grand Secretary there was not a dollar in the possession of the Grand Treasurer; now there is over \$7,000 in the Grand Treasury, and \$1,000 more will be added at the close of the present session."

MISSOURI, 1884.

We have before us quite a large volume, being official proceedings of the 64th Annual Communication of the M.: W.: Grand Lodge A. F. & A. M. of the State of Missouri, held at St. Louis, October 14th, 1884. The Proceedings of G. L. are set forth in eighty pages, and the report on Foreign Correspondence occupies 206 pages, all closely printed matter, besides which there is also about 200 pages of statistics, the whole gotten up superbly.

To properly review all, would be of itself quite a laborious undertaking; yet, we are satisfied from the necessarily hasty glance we have made, one which would amply repay the trouble.

There is an immense amount of most useful Masonic knowledge to be acquired by the careful reading of the whole. All the subjects treated on are handled with great ability and judgment.

The proceedings, however, reached us at so late a period that we could not, with justice to the compiler and writer, or with satisfaction to ourselves, do more than notice in the very brief way we now do, their reception.

Quebec receives but a short notice in comparison with other Grand Lodges, but that of a favorable nature. Statistics give 525 total chartered lodges and two lodges under dispensation.

Initiations during the year 1,603, and a total membership of 25,509.

Grand Master is Robert F. Stevenson, of Kansas city.

Grand Secretary is Rev. John Vincil, D.D., of St. Louis.