

To the second question I answered that each member had a right to ballot or not as he saw fit; that his neglect to ballot was a virtual balloting for the candidate and on the ground of expediency it was right not to interfere with the free choice of a member in the matter of balloting.

Toronto, No. 30, asked a question relating to ritualistic procedure which I answered, but as the new Ritual covers the point confirming my answer, and as the question related to private work, there is no necessity of my stating it and it would also be injudicious to do so here.

The same lodge asked several questions about a physician which I answered on general principles, there being no express law on the subject:

1. That a lodge physician must be a member of the lodge. (See sections 44 and 59, Sub. Lodge Cons.)
2. That in his absence another member, a physician, may do his duties *pro tem*.
3. If no other in the lodge the certificate of any duly qualified physician may be accepted, and
4. That an applicant who happens to be a physician cannot give a certificate for himself.

BY-LAWS AND AMENDMENTS APPROVED.

I have carefully read, and where necessary corrected, and approved by-laws of Columbian, No. 37, Ivanhoe, No. 4, Mizpah, No. 22, Rokeby, No. 9, and Rathbone, No. 12, and have approved of amendments to by-laws of Petrolia, No. 17, and Friendship, No. 16.

In none of these cases was the committee on Law and Supervision consulted, except in the case of Ivanhoe, on account of the great inconvenience of preparing the necessary number of copies and the expenditure of time necessary to consult, through the mail, about each set of by-laws.

DISPENSATIONS

1. To Rathbone, No. 12, to discontinue meetings during July and August, 1892, and to hold a semi-public installation in January, 1893.
2. To Toronto, No. 30, to hold an at-home.
3. To Damon, No. 6, to confer ranks on a maimed person.
4. To Queen City, No. 18, to change place of meeting to corner of Queen and Victoria Sts., Toronto, and to hold public installation.
5. To Myrtle, No. 2, to hold public installation.
6. To Columbian, No. 37, to confer ranks on a person over the age of 50 years.