

Our Grand Representative, R.: W.: Bro. Albert S. Nicholson, being present.

Grand Lodge received a formal welcome to Spokane Falls city from the Craft and citizens generally of the place, which was fittingly responded to by Deputy Grand Master William H. White.

The address of the Grand Master is brief but thoroughly business-like; he welcomes his brethren, sets forth his official acts of the year, and those of the Deputy Grand Master, strongly advocates the re-election of Masters of lodges for at least a second year, in view of greater efficiency from experience in the government of the lodge; then quoting from Bro. Hoyt, of Pa., he instructs his Grand Lodge on the condition of Masonry, and points out their duties.

The reports of Grand Secretary and Treasurer give:—

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| Gross revenue at..... | \$3,802.08 |
| " disbursements.....  | 3,814.00   |

The Grand Orator delivered his oration, which we have perused with pleasure, and we hope, with profit. Yet we cannot but think it is too sectarian, however acceptable it might have been to the Christian brethren present at its delivery, we doubt if all its utterances would have been concurred in by others, if any, listening thereto outside that religious denomination.

The Grand Lecturer transmitted a Treatise or Lecture on "Thoughts on Masonry," which is given in *extenso* in the printed proceedings, brought immediately under the notice of the leaders of the Craft; it deserves the prominence given it, for it is a clever and thoroughly Masonic production.

The report on Foreign correspondence is from R.: W.: Bro. T. M. Reed, the Grand Secretary; it is an able document, reviewing the proceedings of sister Grand Lodges with judgment and discrimination, extracting therefrom points of interest, and giving his own valuable comments in a most satisfying manner.

Quebec is kindly mentioned, the writer sympathizing with this Grand Lodge in her troubles with England, and promising a hearty moral support in our struggle to keep and maintain supreme jurisdiction within our own territory.

#### WISCONSIN—1883.

This Grand Lodge held its 39th annual communication in the city of Milwaukee, on 12th June, 1883. Lewis E. Reed, Grand Master, ruling.

The address of the Grand Master with other excellent remarks, gives the following, which will be found applicable here. He says:

"I exhort you to rely not too much upon numbers. A small band of "trained and trusted patriots, with the love of home and country burning in their hearts, are worth a myriad of indifferent allies in time of

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