

NEW MEXICO—1877.

In pursuance of a previous call to the several lodges in the Territory to join in convention for the purpose of organizing a Grand Lodge of Masons, delegations met at Santa Fé from three several lodges and proceeded in regular order to organize.

M. W. William W. Griffin was elected Grand Master, and R. W. David J. Miller, was elected Grand Secretary.

All the necessary steps seem to have been taken to render legitimate the formation of this Grand Lodge. The work seems to have been carefully and methodically planned and carried out, and the Constitution and By-Laws included in the proceedings are in accord with the laws which govern Masonic usage and polity. We have therefore much pleasure in recommending it to the favourable recognition of this Grand Lodge, and wish it a long career of prosperity and usefulness.

Annual Communication to be held on the first Monday in January, 1879.

NEW YORK—1877.

The Ninety-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New York was held in the city of New York, June 5th, 1877.

Present—M. W. James W. Husted, and representatives from 667 lodges. Total number of lodges 718; membership 81,296; Lodge dues \$92,196.50

The Grand Master's address is brief, dealing almost exclusively with local matters. He had submitted to him a large number of questions for consideration, the great proportion of which were too simple to be noted for the approval of the Grand Lodge. And on this subject he takes occasion to impress upon the Masters of Lodges the absolute necessity of familiarizing themselves with the masonic law of the jurisdiction.

The same story is repeated in almost every other jurisdiction, and with each succeeding year come from all quarters to us the old questions without number, as if they were new and original propositions, and which as Grand Master Husted very wisely says, a reading of the