

desire for information has become so great, that they form almost a necessary adjunct to the Grand Lodge Proceedings; and we have been informed that they are eagerly looked for by a very large number of the brethren. It is, then, requisite that they should be so prepared as to give as much information as possible; but we are also of opinion that it is not necessary to make comments on many of the subjects that appear in the various Proceedings. These comments are not taken as an authoritative expression by Grand Lodge on the points involved, but are merely the opinions of the individual writer, and entitled only to such weight as he may see fit to give them.

Still, they tend to make the Report more readable, and will often be of assistance in elucidating doubtful points. We hardly think our brethren would be satisfied with a Report made up entirely of extracts. With a feeling of considerable relief, (for the present), we lay down our pen and present our work to your favorable consideration.

All of which is fraternally submitted.

HENRY ROBERTSON,

Chairman.

Collingwood, Ont., May 14th, 1876.

The late correspondence of the Report is, we are to the same course as an original Report in the past month. We return from this position in 1875, with an expectation of every being called on again to perform this labor. In Feb. every last, we were notified by the Board of General Purposes to take in hand the compilation of the Report for 1876. This involves the compilation of nearly three of these Reports in one year—a task of considerable magnitude, and which is only to be accomplished by a great deal of hard work, a large expenditure of valuable time, and a considerable sacrifice of other interests, probably more important to the individual. Note that those who have been engaged in this sort of work can know the full extent of the time and labor required to produce a good Report. These Reports have now become almost a necessity.