

having some respectable known means of support, and who believe in the existence of a Supreme Being, the Creator and Preserver of the Universe. A person may be admitted to any Lodge in the county in which he resides; but all candidates for initiation must reside in this jurisdiction.

SEC. 2.—All candidates for membership, by deposit of card, or as Ancient Odd Fellows, whose cards have been granted more than *twelve* months, shall deposit their cards with application, or furnish satisfactory evidence that such card has been lost.

SEC. 3.—No suspended or expelled member of the Order can be received into membership in this Lodge, except on being reinstated and receiving a card of clearance from the Lodge which suspended or expelled him. *Provided*, however, that any Odd Fellow residing within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, having no card of clearance, and who had not been connected with any Lodge in this jurisdiction, who ceased to be a member or who was suspended only for non-payment of dues, may be admitted to membership as an Ancient Odd Fellow, in the same manner as is provided for the admission of Ancient Odd Fellows.

### ARTICLE III.—OF PROPOSITIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 1.—The name of a person offered for membership, with his age, place of birth, residence and occupation, must be proposed by a member, in writing, with the names of two persons as references attached, and entered upon the records; the application shall forthwith be referred to a committee of three members for investigation, who shall report upon the application upon the next succeeding regular meeting (unless unavoidable circumstances prevent), when the candidate shall be balloted for with ball ballots; and if not more than two black balls appear he shall be elected, but if three or more appear he shall be rejected.

SEC. 1.—(a) Every application for membership must, in addition to the provisions of Section 1 of this Article, contain the following clause:—"In consideration of my admission, I promise and agree that if elected, I will