

It was then moved in amendment by R. W. Bro. Wm. Forbes, seconded by R. W. Bro. B. E. Charlton, and

Resolved,—That the matter of the final settlement of the Masonic Asylum Trust Fund, be laid over until the next annual Communication of Grand Lodge, and that in the interim the subordinate Lodges be appealed to, enquiring what annual aid they will give towards its support, either by way of bonus or yearly grant, with a further statistical report of the numbers and nature of the requirements of such as may have claims on our Benevolence, within the jurisdiction, as well as the number of non-affiliated Masons likely to assist the project.

The foregoing amendment having been put to Grand Lodge, it was declared adopted. R. W. Bro. Thos. White, submitted the report of the Board on grievances and appeals.

On motion of R. W. Bro. White, seconded by R. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, the report was adopted.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The M. W. Grand Master appointed the following brethren as scrutineers of the ballot, viz: R. W. Bro. W. Nivin, W. Bro. F. J. Menet and R. W. Bro. R. P. Stephens.

Notice of motion by R. W. Bro. F. H. Lynch and Staunton, amendment to the Constitution. That the following clause be added to that part of the Constitution relating to private Lodges:

“That no Brother shall be an ordinary member of more than one Lodge in the same City, Town or incorporated Village.”

Notice of motion by the President of the Board to amend the Constitution of proposing members, clause 2, by adding thereto the following words “and in all cases at least four weeks must elapse between the proposal of the candidate and the ballot for the same.”

Also—to add to the declaration of candidates, previous to initiation the words—“and that I have not been rejected by this or any other Lodge within twelve months from the date of my present application,” (Lodges would do well to act upon this suggestion at once by putting the foregoing to all candidates as an interrogatory question.)

The M. W. Grand Master availed himself of the opportunity at this stage of the proceedings to present to R. W. Bro. Otto Klotz, the chairman of the sub-committee of the Board on Benevolence, with a very suitable Testimonial as a slight acknowledgment of the arduous duties he has performed for twenty years past.

The M. W. Grand Master was most happy in the choice of his remarks for the occasion, and our R. W. Bro. Klotz, responded in a very suitable manner.

The Testimonial consisted of an elaborate Bronze Marble Time Piece, with silver mounting and silver plate on the front, on which was portrayed the “good Samaritan.”

EVENING SESSION.

The M. W. Grand Master also took occasion to present to R. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson, P. G. M., on behalf of Grand Lodge, a Testimonial which had been procured in accordance with a resolution of Grand Lodge, as a slight recognition of his services rendered to Masonry, and particularly to this Grand Lodge during his occupancy of the Grand East for three years in succession.

The presentation consisted of a full suit of Regalia, chain, collar, apron and gauntlets of a Past Grand Master. A solid silver pitcher, two silver goblets and a silver salver, with a suitable inscription thereon.

M. W. Bro. Stevenson, responded in his usually felicitious manner, thanking the Grand Lodge for the magnificent presentation.

The election of officers was proceeded, with which resulted as follows:—

M. W. Bro. Wm. M. Wilson, Simcoe, re-elected Grand Master; R. W. Bro. J. K. Kerr, Toronto, Deputy Grand Master; V. W. Bro. W. R. White, Pembroke, Grand Senior Warden; V. W. Bro. Hugh Murray, Hamilton, Grand Junior Warden; R. W. Bro. Rev. G. M. Innes, London, re-elected Grand Chaplain; R. W. Bro. Henry Groff, V. W. Bro. D. M. Malloch, Clinton, Grand Registrar; R. W. Bro. Thos. B. Harris, re-elected Grand Secretary. Bro. James Heron, London, Grand Tyler.

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS.—R. W. Bro. Thos. C. McNabb, Chatham, St. Clair District; W. Bro. D. McGloghlon, London, London District; R. W. Bro. Chauncey Bennett, Port Rowan, Wilson District; W. Bro. John H. Benson, Seaforth, Huron District; W. Bro. — Savage, Elora, Wellington District; R. W. Bro. J. J. Mason, Hamilton, Hamilton District; R. W. Bro. W. E. Broderick, Caledonia, Niagara District; R. W. Bro. R. P. Stephens, Toronto, Toronto District; R. W. Bro. J. B. Traves, Port Hope, Ontario District; W. Bro. S. S. Lazier, Belleville, Prince Edward District; R. W. A. S. Kirkpatrick, Kingston, St. Lawrence District; W. Bro. John D. Pickup, Pakenham, Ontario District; W. Bro. George Black, Mapleton; Manitoba.