

see described one of the greatest epochs in the annals of Odd Fellowship. The reunion of Representatives from the Southern jurisdictions, after an absence of four years, engaged as they were in fierce civil war, is a scene which it is to be hoped may never be witnessed again, notwithstanding the great pleasure which was experienced in that happy reunion. The inauguration of the Wildey monument is also full of interest, and cannot but send a thrill of joy to each and every one of us, to think that the founder of the cause which we espouse has been so honorably and triumphantly consigned to his last resting place; and may it remind us all that as each succeeding year is revolving around, the sands of life are fast wasting away, and the places which now us will soon know us no more for ever.

QUESTIONS SUBMITTED.

The question proposed by Reps. Ferguson and Barr, of Excelsior Lodge, viz., "Can a Lodge initiate a person into the Order without the payment of the usual initiation fee and quarterly dues prescribed by the By Laws of said Lodge?" Answer,—No.

Also question proposed by Rep. Barr of Excelsior Lodge, viz., "A person who wishes to become connected with our Order as an ancient Odd Fellow, but not in possession of a withdrawal Card, and unable to get one, the Lodge to which he belonged being extinct, how is he to be admitted?" In answer, we refer all interested to the decision of the Committee on the State of the Order in the Grand Lodge of the U. S., as laid down in Grand Representative's Report for 1866, and also to clause 3, page 321, of our Grand Lodge proceedings for 1865 alluding to the same subject, and in our opinion fully answering the question.

THE FUTURE OF OUR ORDER.

Your Committee having covered all the subjects referred to them, would say, in conclusion, that as regards Odd Fellowship in this jurisdiction, we have good cause to congratulate ourselves upon our present position and good prospects which are before us for its advancement. The future of our Order looks bright and hopeful; from every quarter we hear that Odd Fellowship is reviving and progressing, far exceeding the expectations of the most sanguine, and in proof of what we here assert, we recommend to you a perusal of the *American Odd Fellow*, published by Bro. Orr, of New York, every number of which contains glowing accounts of the renewed spirit in the Order from all jurisdictions, and should be read by every good Odd Fellow. May the holy principles which constitute the rock upon which our fabric is based, take such deep root in the hearts of our present brotherhood, that will encourage us to advance its interest in such a manner that we will all be benefitted by its teachings, and in future addition, be made from a class of men who will add new lustre to the laurels it has already attained.

Respectfully submitted in F. L. & T.

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