

cents per day, allowing two days for the Session.

All of which respectfully submitted.

THOMAS BROWN,
HENRY SEWELL,
JAMES MARQUAND.

On motion duly passed, the Report on Mileage and Per Diem was adopted and ordered filed, and the Grand Secretary instructed to issue orders accordingly, on the Grand Treasurer, in favor of the Grand Officers and Representatives.

The Special Committee appointed to abridge the Report of the Grand Reps., reported their duty completed, and were duly discharged.

To the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of Canada West:

The undersigned, your Representative to the Right Worthy Grand Lodge of the United States of America, would respectfully submit the following Report of the proceedings of that Body during his term of office. On the nineteenth day of September, 1859, I attended the annual Communication held at the City of Baltimore.

By reference to the Grand Secretary's Report, I am informed that there were then, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of the United States, thirty-nine State and Territorial Grand Lodges, three thousand four hundred and twenty-five Subordinates, with a membership of one hundred and seventy-seven thousand seven hundred and eleven, which shows an increase during the past year of thirty-five Subordinate Lodges, and one thousand and eleven members.

By the same Report I find that there was, during the same year, eighteen thousand one hundred and thirty brothers relieved; two thousand six hundred and ninety-seven Widowed families assisted,—\$300,359 15 paid for the relief of brothers, \$51,454 00 paid to widowed families, \$13,555 72 for the education of Orphans, and \$45,227 74 expended in burying the dead.

The decisions made by the Most Worthy Grand Sire during the recess of the Grand Lodge, and confirmed by that body at the Session of 1859, were as follows:

When the holder of a Withdrawal card has, within a few months after its use, deposited the same in, and thereby become a member of another Lodge, the Lodge issuing such card has no right to annul it.

That it is competent for a State Grand Lodge to prescribe a By-law, that all applications for Visiting or Withdrawal cards, must be in person or in writing.

It is not competent for a Lodge or an Encampment to try a deceased member, or deprive his widow of the benefits allowed by the laws, her husband having been beneficial, and not under charge at the time of his decease.

If under the law authorizing public installations, any controversy arise between the Elective Grand Officer and a District Deputy Grand Master, as to which shall conduct such installation, the Elective Grand Officer, being superior in rank, shall have precedence.

The following decisions of the Grand Sire was reversed:—When a brother, living remote from his Lodge, sends to its Treasurer instead of its Secretary, his dues, and said Treasurer fails at next meeting of the Lodge to report the payment of the same, and before another meeting the brother dies, this Lodge cannot withhold the funeral benefits authorized by law, the Treasurer reporting and paying such dues to the Lodge at said second meeting. The Treasurer is an