

DECISIONS.

The following replies have been made to applications for my decision upon the subjects mentioned :—

1.—There is no regulation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec refusing permission to subordinate lodges, to allow their rooms to be occupied by bodies not masonic. It is however undesirable, if the financial position of the lodge will enable them to dispense with such extra revenue. The Master and Wardens are responsible for the removal of all ornaments, regalia, &c., and cannot delegate that responsibility to two other brethren.

2.—If the only defect in a candidate is the loss of a portion of his foot, he is not disqualified—the ancient charges say that :—

“He must have no main or defect in his body that may render him incapable of learning the art—of serving his Master's Lord—and of being made a brother.”

If he can receive and give all signs, grips, &c., and assume all postures required he is capable of learning the art, and of being made a brother.

3.—Article 251, page 59, of the Constitution does not prohibit a lodge from assisting a non-affiliated Mason, from its funds, if the majority of the members should desire to do so.

4.—The placing the ballot box on the volume of the Sacred Law during the deposit by the members of their ballots is legal.

GRAND REPRESENTATIVES.

I have commissioned the following brethren to represent this Grand Body at Sister Grand Lodges, which appointments I ask you to confirm :—

R. W. Bro. Milton J. Hull, near Nebraska.
 “ “ Geo. J. Roskrugs, “ Arizona.
 “ “ Geo. D. Dillard, “ Mississippi.
 “ “ H. M. Littlejohn, “ Wisconsin.

The following brethren have received commissions since last annual communication to represent Sister Grand Lodges near this Grand Body :—

Wor. Bro. P. McD. McTavish from Arkansas.
 “ “ Jas. Fyfe, “ New Mexico.
 R. W. Bro. H. E. Channell, (re-appointed) Iowa.
 “ “ C. Judge, “ Kansas.

CHARLESTON, S. C.

I received a circular letter from the Grand Master of Masons in South Carolina, last September, stating that help was urgently needed by the Masons of Charleston, who had suffered by the recent earthquake in that city. I instructed the Grand Treasurer to forward \$200 at once. I now ask you to endorse my action in so doing.