

abolished; but upon a resolution the report was laid over until the next session of Grand Lodge.

The revision of the secret work and ritual of our Order was, after a good deal of consideration, postponed until the next assembly of the Grand Lodge; Officers and Members having promised to report verbally to their several Grand Bodies, the main feature of the proposed alteration.

A resolution was adopted to this effect. "That the Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary be and he is hereby requested to publish in the appendix to the revised Journal, the debate had in the Grand Lodge upon the report of the Committee on Finance, remitting the dues of the Southern Grand Bodies; and also to collect all the proceedings had on the occasion of the dedication of the Wildey Monument and connected therewith, including the speeches made on the stand on the day of the dedication, at the banquet given by the Corporation of Baltimore, and by the merchants and business men of Baltimore, and that he has full power and discretion to omit any part of such proceedings, which, in his judgment, may be proper."

One of the most important items in the week's exercises was the dedication of the Wildey Monument, which took place on the 20th September last amid great eclat; only fancy, between fifteen and sixteen thousand members all clothed in regalia appropriate to rank, and displaying many new and elegant banners, marching in one grand procession, accompanied by numerous Military and other Bands of music, the sweet and melodious strains of which, enlivened and added much to the pagantry of the day.—Time nor space will not permit me to give a full and particular description of the monument and proceedings in connection therewith. That day will certainly form an epoch in the history of our beloved Order, suffice it to say, that the sun has never shone on a day more memorable in the annals of the monumental city than the one on which was unveiled the figure of Charity, standing on the pillar erected to the memory of P. G. Sire Wildey, the pioneer of Odd Fellowship on the American continent.

I cannot let this opportunity pass without mentioning two important attractions which added much to the grandeur of the procession. One was a large vehicle drawn by six magnificent horses, bearing the beautiful tent of the Grand Encampment, in which was seated the Grand High Priest wearing his gorgeous robes, on either side of which sat the Guards of the Tent, arrayed as became their position. The other was the "Jewels of our Order" otherwise the "Orphan children," some eight hundred or more of the State of Maryland. The girls were in five magnificent chariots built expressly for the occasion, each drawn by six splendid horses led by coloured grooms attired in oriental costumes, (which had a very attractive appearance.) Each chariot was draped in colors representing the different Subordinate degrees, viz: 1st, white, 2nd, pink, 3rd, blue, 4th, green, and 5th, red. The occupants were very neatly attired and bore in their hands numerous decorated banners and shields, named after the different States and Territories. "Canada West" was well represented, as in each car I perceived some fair daughter of Eve upholding a banner with that endearing name thereon.

There was only one disappointment to mar the happiness of the day's proceedings, and that was the absence of his "Excellency, President

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