

the report, had the bitter experience we in Quebec have, of not demanding such surrender, he would think otherwise. A delay of so doing for fifteen years in this Province has been productive of more ill-will and contention in the Fraternity during that time, than our good Brother can conceive; and to-day, three Lodges here under English jurisdiction foment discord, encouraged by the authorities abroad.

The "best wishes" of the Committee are with the Grand Lodge of Victoria, New South Wales; yet it does not advise the recognition. If that Grand Lodge is not justly formed, why should it receive "the best wishes?" In that case it should be condemned. To encourage illegality with "best wishes" seems somewhat inconsistent.

Grand Treasurer's report shows balance on hand.. \$1,814.40

Grand Secretary's financial statement gives annual

receipts at..... 1,479.00

Bro. Diehl gives the report on Foreign Correspondence which we have already noticed. We may remark, however, that he gracefully acknowledges the services of Utah's representative with us—our esteemed R.: W.: Bro. T. Leet, who is always found faithful to his duties.

VERMONT, 1884.

Our brothers, neighbors and very dear friends, met together in Grand Lodge at the city of Burlington, on the 11th and 12th days of June, 1884, M.: W.: Brother O. Meacham, Grand Master, presiding. Among those present we observe was our Grand representative, R.: W.: Bro. Alfred A. Hall; our esteemed Brothers M.: W.: Bro. Geo. O. Tyler; P. G. M. Grand Lodge of Quebec; and R.: W.: Bro. Wm. Brinsmaid, P. G. Senior Warden G. L. of Q., were visitors.

The address of the Grand Master is thoroughly practical and business like; with the following, his suggestion, we heartily concur: "I would recommend that every lodge within this jurisdiction take especial pains during the coming year, to hold social gatherings as often as once a month, and thus endeavour to create a new interest among these brethren who have become careless and do not attend the regular meeting of the lodge as they should do. The order of exercises at these gatherings should be to the end, that we may become better and more attached to the principles of Masonry.

"Let the brethren take turns in preparing addresses to be delivered before the members of the lodge, and let the citizens be invited to listen; thus may many be induced to join the order of their own accord, who otherwise might ever remain in ignorance of the objects and the aims of Masonry.

"In this way many a pleasant and profitable evening may be passed."

A very pleasing occurrence transpired during the session in the intro-

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