

cluding the advance reports of officers, and for circulars as may be required during the coming year.

The tender of Messrs. Miller & Soole was found to be the lowest and the the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal was so informed.

The various tenders are herewith attached for examination, if required.

Fraternally submitted,

J. V. MURDOCH, of No. 6,
ROBT. J. LEIGH, of No. 39,
M. P. HUFFMAN, of No. 25.

An account of \$20, for expenses incurred in the institution of Columbian Lodge, No. 37, of London, was submitted by P. G. C. Gardner and referred to the Executive Committee.

Representative Soole, of No. 30, from the Committee on State of the Order, presented the following report, which was adopted :

REPORT No. 2, OF COMMITTEE ON STATE OF THE ORDER.

Your Committee on State of the Order, to whom were referred the reports of the Deputy Grand Chancellors, begs leave to report as follows :

District No. 1.—We are pleased at the report as presented by Bro. A. B. Armstrong, with the exception of the reference to Philos, No. 41, and we would express the hope that under the supervision of the incoming D. G. C., and through the earnest efforts of its own members, this lodge may, at an early date, take a favorable place among the other lodges in the city.

District No. 2.—In the hands of Bro. Burns this district has lost none of its interest, for although there are but two lodges yet we recognize the fact that its numerical and financial strength compares favorably with other districts having a larger number of lodges.

District No. 3.—We are pleased at the satisfactory report of Bro. R. Cadwallader. We find that there are five lodges in this district all in an excellent condition, financially and otherwise. The introduction of a church parade proved a decided success and is a feature we would highly recommend to other districts.

District No. 5.—It is gratifying to note that since the meeting of Grand Lodge in Windsor, last year, that Pythianism has experienced a boom in this district and that a friendly rivalry now exists between the two lodges which are, to quote from the report of Bro. Neal, "as busy as bees." The church parade feature has also been very successfully carried out in this city. We