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## CONSTITUTIONAL QUESTIONS

ASKED OF THE R. W. GRAND MASTER AND HIS ANSWERS THERETO:

1. Have Private Lodges a right to pass By-laws reducing the Initiation Fees of the Several Degrees below the amount stated in the Constitution?

Answer.—They have no such power.

2. Have Private Lodges a right, either directly or indirectly, to refund any part of the Initiation Fees, either before or after the Initiation?

Answer.—They have a right to make such disposition of their funds as they may deem proper.

3. Brother Tipson asks the Grand Master what is to be done with those members who were expelled and suspended in the year 1870, and not reported to this Grand Lodge last year in consequence of the Annual Reports for the County of Frontenac not being forthcoming at this G. L?

Answer.—The cases of those members will be attended to when the reports are sent in, and their names will be published when action has been taken in reference to them by this Grand Lodge.

4. By A. R. Anderson, County Deputy Master of Peterboro: Would like to have opinion of Grand Master, whether a Deputy County Master can sit and vote in the absence of the County Master, without the regular form of Proxy?

Answer.—He can in the M. W. G. Lodge, but not in this R. W. G. L.

5. Also, whether it is the duty of District Master to collect the Warrants, and other property of Dormant Lodges, and hand them into County Master's possession, or the County Master's duty to collect them himself?

Answer.—In my opinion the County Master himself is responsible for the collection of Warrants, &c.

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