

that a communication has been received from Bro. Dunbar and John Conroy, praying for Cards of Clearance, and which communication is respectfully submitted for your consideration.

Notice, and a copy of amendments in By-Laws of Long Point Lodge which has been submitted to the M. W. the Grand Master, and has received his sanction, is laid before your Grand Body for consultation thereon.

5. I have received from Imperial Lodge, a notice of amendment in these By-Laws, which is herewith likewise submitted.

6. In connection with the Wilkey Monument Fund I communicated with all Lodges in our Jurisdiction, who had not up to the time of the meeting of this Grand Lodge, last year subscribed thereto. The appeal has had the effect of drawing from the members of Chatham Lodge \$6 00, and Rond Eau Lodge \$2 00, the amount of which is included in receipts for the past year, and subject to the disposal to right quarters by this Grand Lodge. I likewise expected that other Lodges not yet heard from on the subject will send by their Representatives a further augmentation to the good cause.

By direction of the M. W. the Grand Master I attended to his commands and cancelled the dispensation of Eureka Lodge, which had been granted thereto by the R. W. G. L. of U. S.

7. The Semi-Annual Returns for both terms have been duly received from all the Lodges in our Jurisdiction, and nearly all of them showing that a steady increase was taking place, and that those who were being admitted, were men creditable to themselves, and likely to be creditable to the Order in general.

Brethren, I have much pleasure to state that upon an invitation from the new Lodge lately opened, viz: Frontier Lodge at Windsor, I attended to assist at a demonstration by that Lodge on the 30th June last. I was accompanied by Grand Rep. to G. L. of U. S. Bro. Bingham, N. G. of Forest City Lodge, Bro. Beltz, as well as more of the brethren of London, and a goodly number from Chatham. Everything passed off most agreeably, and seemingly to the satisfaction of all. From the rapid strides taken by Frontier Lodge, and by the manner in which all the brethren thereof work together, I am sanguine that great good to our Order may be derived therefrom, especially having it so near the border of our Jurisdiction. It may not be out of place to state here, that our utmost thanks are due to our brethren in Detroit and Michigan, for the uniform kindness and fraternal good will which they have at all times exhibited (as I am so informed) to the members of Frontier Lodge, since the date of its institution. I can speak from personal observation, as regards the day of the celebration, as a mighty host from Detroit attended, and many more would have been present, were it not for the unsettled state of the weather on the morning of the day in question. I sincerely hope that the same good feeling will ever exist not only there but among all Odd Fellows.

8. Herewith I beg also to submit to this Grand Lodge the Semi-Annual Reports from all the Lodges in its Jurisdiction. I believe my predecessors in office have ever had some little cause for complaining as to the proper filling up thereof. I fancy that at the present Reports there is not much cause for complaint, still I find that some discrepancies in minor matters are therein; in connection with which I would strongly advise this Grand Lodge to adopt some plan whereby each Lodge could submit semi-annually a list of all Brothers on their books, and the amount each has paid during the term. I feel sanguine that this Grand Lodge would receive much benefit thereby, as from the present system of new Secretaries coming into office, it cannot be expected that full and correct reports can be at all times made out.