

11th annual convention, at East Las Vegas, November 11.)

Visitors were welcomed in an eloquent address by W. H. Whitmore, and Past Grand Chancellor Hart, to whom Easley responded "cheerfully" and Supreme Master "ly."

Report says that "misery untold . . . has lurked in the town and hamlet," and that notwithstanding the rich lands, sufficient to support in luxury many untouched by the ploughman's hand,—Mother Earth has scarce been touched—and yet, oh shame that we see upon thousands are starving!! And this is to show that the growth of the order has been "very slight," but brother says is "gratifying," all things considered. Complaints were not indulged in because of the depleted

membership of 1020; loss by suspensions 568; value of lodges, \$13,808.86. The Grand Lodge balance

and the Fraternal Correspondence Committee should collect statistics to enable them to bring "that feature of the standard of Maine or Indiana." He thinks it time to review in the neighborhood of thirty-five lodges and make the report what it should be.

Meeting, the third Tuesday in November, 1895.

W. C., Gallup.

East Las Vegas.

Chairman Fraternal Correspondence Committee,

12th annual convention, at Catskill, July 23-26, 1896.)

at the Baptist church, and shortly after the opening of the convention discovered in the room and escorted to the platform to deliver an "eloquent address."

Grand Chancellor, J. C. LaDow, opens his report with

"Our subordinate lodges were in dull and inactive condition, and if no work were done they would be compelled to surrender, with the aid of the State Deputy, to see that they are visited, some of them several times, to the end that they may become self-sustaining. I am pleased to report that they are, and that we have more active, busy, bustling lodges. They have taken on a healthy growth, and I am sure that this is a prosperous year, when if properly looked after they will be strong and prosperous."

Grand Master, having travelled 9000 miles on official