

the time the other officers are installed be installed at a subsequent communication?

To this question we answer, that if the By-Laws of the Lodge provide for installation at a stated period, any officer elect failing to appear at that time cannot be subsequently installed without a dispensation. We recommend that Lodges make provision in their By-Laws for emergencies of this character.

Can an officer of a Subordinate Lodge be installed by proxy?

We answer in the Negative.

We approve the decision of D. D. G. M. Riley to the effect that if a brother under suspension for non-payment of dues dies within a year from date of his suspension, the payment of his dues by another brother, after death, does not reinstate the deceased, or entitle him to Masonic burial.

We approve generally the decisions of the Grand Master, as submitted in his address, so far as referred to this committee.

We have examined such By-Laws of Subordinate Lodges as were placed before us. We have marked out such portions as seemed to us not in accordance with our Regulations.

In the By-Laws of Ohio Lodge, No. 1, we find a provision for life membership, by the payment of a sum of money, which is intended to take the place of annual dues. There is nothing in our Regulations to forbid such action on the part of a Subordinate Lodge. A majority of your committee are of the opinion that it is inexpedient to introduce into this jurisdiction the plan of life membership.

Article 9, of the By-Laws of Moorefield Lodge, reads as follows:

'Any member may withdraw himself from this Lodge on producing the Secretary's receipt for all dues, and giving notice to the Lodge, either personally or by proxy.'

Your Committee regard this article as unmasonic. We submit that membership in the Lodge can be terminated only by suspension, expulsion, dismissal or death."

Seventy-two lodges return 275 initiations, and 3,236 Members. Receipts \$2,507 75.

The report on Correspondence does not appear in the proceedings, nor does any appear to have been prepared or presented; although both in this year and 1874 we notice that the Finance Committee recommend the "continued payment of the salaries heretofore paid to the Grand Secretary and Chairman of Committee on Foreign Correspondence? How is this Brother Long? We would like to hear from your Chairman.

M. W. Bro. Kephart D. Walker, G. M.; R. W. Bro. Odell S. Long, G. Sec'y.

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Annual Communication (31st) held at Milwaukee, June 8th. M. W. Bro. J. P. C. Cottrill, G. M.; R. W. Bro. Geo. E. Hoskinson, G. Sec'y.

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