

the admirable manner in which our R. W. G. Secretary carries out his duties, and have great pleasure in recommending that his report be adopted and printed in the annual report, also that the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to him. We also recommended that the proceedings of this Grand Lodge be printed.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. H. VENABLES,  
JOSH. BRUNDREETH,  
R. R. SOUTHCORBE,  
A. WATKINS,  
E. J. WHEELER.

The Committee on Widows' and Orphans' Fund reported progress.

The Committee on Audit and Finance presented their report, which, on motion, was received and adopted.

#### REPORT OF FINANCE AND AUDIT.

*To the Officers and Members of the Grand Lodge of the Sons of England Benevolent Society :*

RIGHT WORTHY GRAND PRESIDENT AND BROTHERS,—We, your Committee on Finance and Audit, beg leave to report that we have examined the books, accounts and vouchers of the W. Grand Secretary and W. Grand Treasurer, and find them to agree and be correct.

We herewith annex balance sheet for year ending, February 1st, 1884.

We find an asset of \$2.70 against Warwick Lodge, which has been brought down some time back, which we would recommend be charged to profit and loss.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. EDMETT,  
JAMES HANSON,  
GEO. L. EDMUNDS,  
THOMAS HAM,  
GEO. MATTHEWS.

Nominations of Officers :—For Grand President, J. H. Venables, York Lodge ; Dr. Pollard, Brighton Lodge ; J. Clayton, Britannia Lodge, and R. C. Hulme, Oxford Lodge.