

The Report being under consideration, a question was raised in regard to Perseverance Lodge, No. 23, not having paid the full amount of per capita tax. Representative Leubsdorf, of No. 23, asked the ruling of the Grand Chancellor as to whether the per capita tax was 35 cents or 70 cents. The Grand Chancellor ruled that it was 70 cents. Considerable discussion ensued, when Representative Robertson, of No. 12, offered the following :—

Resolved, That the words "short of amount due," at the end of that portion of the report of the Committee on Credentials and Returns referring to Perseverance Lodge, No. 23, be struck out, and the words "which is the full amount due under the Constitution" be inserted in lieu thereof.

The Grand Chancellor called Grand Master of Exchequer Peace to the chair. The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal raised the point of order that the resolution, being in conflict with the Constitution, was out of order, but did not press the chair for a ruling. After some time being spent in debating the resolution, during which the affairs of the Supreme Lodge Reception Committee came in for considerable criticism, Grand Prelate Morphy, of No. 4, moved to adjourn further discussion of the subject, and that the Grand Keeper of Records and Seal telegraph the Chairman of the S. L. Reception Committee for a statement of the present outstanding accounts, which was agreed to.

The Grand Chancellor resumed the chair.

Representative Macleod, of No. 3, from the Committee on Law and Supervision, presented the following Report, which was adopted :—

REPORT NO. 1 OF THE COMMITTEE ON LAW AND
SUPERVISION.

Your Committee on Law and Supervision to whom was referred certain portions of the report of the Grand Chancellor, beg leave to report as follows :

1. In reference to "Dispensations Granted," we find them in accord with the Constitution and to the best interests of the lodges concerned, and would recommend their approval.

2. With regard to the various by-laws of lodges, or amendments thereto, which have been approved by the Grand Chancellor, your Committee are unable to express any opinion as copies of the same have not been submitted to us, but believe that unless they had been in conformity with the Constitution