

The Grand Lecturer, as such, cannot visit the Lodges except when requested, as his expenses, by our Laws, must be borne by the Constituent Lodges requesting his services, and as a flying visit is not of permanent benefit to the Lodge, I would suggest that the actual amount of travelling and other expenses incurred by him in his official capacity be borne by the Grand Lodge.

It is impossible for the Grand Lecturer to do much with any lodge unless he spends two or more days with the members, as it is not only the rendering of our ritual, as approved by Grand Lodge, that is necessary, but to bring forth its beauties frequent exercise is required to enable the officers to "speak the speech, I pray you, as I pronounced it to you, trippingly on the tongue; but if you mouth it, as many of your players do, I had as lief the town crier spoke my lines. Nor do not saw the air too much with your hands, thus, but use all gently; for in the very torrent, tempest, and, as I may say, the whirlwind of passion, you must acquire and beget a temperance that may give it smoothness."

G. W. WAKEFORD,

Grand Lecturer.

26th June, 1888.

On motion it was

Resolved, That the Grand Lecturer's Report be received and adopted.

The Grand Secretary gave notice that at the next Annual Communication he would move the following alteration in the Constitution :

I do hereby propose that Section 14 of the By-Laws relating to Subordinate Lodges be amended, by striking out all after the word "December" and inserting the words "or as soon thereafter as practicable, but not later than the Regular Communication in January."

The Section as amended to read.—"The officers of a Subordinate Lodge shall be installed on the 27th day of December, or as soon thereafter as practicable, but not later than the Regular Communication in January."

The hour appointed for the election of the Grand Lodge officers having arrived,

The M. W. Grand Master appointed the following brethren as scrutineers:

Brothers J. D. Mason, Harry Brownell and Andrew Bowness.