

The following Circular with appended Resolutions, received from the Grand Corresponding and Recording Sec., of the G. L. U. S. are respectfully submitted :

OFFICE CORRESPONDING AND REC. SEC., R. W. G. L. U. S., I.O.O.F. BALTIMORE, NOV. 2, 1863.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge of Canada West :

The undersigned, Grand Corresponding and Recording Secretary of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, in obedience to instructions to that effect, hereby transmits to the R. W. Grand Lodge of Canada West, the subjoined proceedings of the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States, had at September Session, 1863. These proceedings, it will be seen, refer to the very important subject of Appeals to the Grand Lodge of the United States, and prescribe *positively*, that no appeal will be entertained unless the facts involved be settled and certified under the seal and signature of the Executive Officer and Grand Scribe or Secretary, as the case may be, of the Grand Body from whose action the appeal may be taken. Especial attention is respectfully invited to this subject.

Fraternally Yours, IAS S BIDGELY

JAS. S. RIDGELY, Grand Secretary.

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R. W. GRAND LODGE OF THE UNITED STATES, I. O. O. F. SEPTEMBER SESSION, 1863.

The following among other proceedings was had.

Rep. Cassady, of New Jersey, from the Special Committee on that subject, made the following report, which was considered and adopted :

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To the R. W. Grand Lodge of the United States :

Your Special Committee appointed under resolution (found on page 3496 Revised Journal), to prepare and report, if deemed expedient, a law for simplifying proceedings in cases of appeal, beg leave to report that we consider such additional legislation necessary and desirable. We therefore submit and recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in all cases of appeal which may hereafter be presented to the Grand Lodge of the United States, the Subordinate Grand Body from whose action any appeal is taken, shall be required to settle definitely all questions of fact in such appeal, and shall duly certify the same under its seal and signatures of its Executive officer and Grand Scribe or Secretary, as the case may be, so that the sole and only business of this Grand Lodge shall be to determine the law applicable to the facts thus certified.

Resolved, That this Grand Lodge will entertain no appeal, unless the facts involved be settled and certified in the manner prescribed in the preceding resolution by the Grand Body from whose decision or action the appeal is taken.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. CASSEDY, J. Y. ALLISON, C. G. CADY.

JAMES L. RIDGELY, Corresponding and Recording Secretary.