

M. W. Bro. John R. Thomas, of Metropolis, is Grand Master, and R. W. Brother L. Munn is Grand Secretary.

Number of lodges, 706; of members residing in the State, 36,614.

KENTUCKY, 1883.

The Eighty-fourth Annual Communication was held at Louisville on 16th, 17th, and 18th October, 1883, M. W. Garrett D. Buckner, Grand Master, presiding.

His address is a most sensible one. In it he refers with commendable pride to the prosperous condition of the affairs of the Masonic Widows' and Orphans' Home, which, since its opening, has received thirty-three widows and three hundred and eighty-one children. He reports its financial condition as "very satisfactory." Its "Endowed Fund" amounts to \$148,149.32. Its income during the preceding year was \$8,993.95.

Reading the above we involuntarily exclaim—"Would that we and every other Grand Lodge could similarly report."

Amongst the other industries of the Home is a printing office, from which is issued the Proceedings of Grand Lodge, gotten up in a very creditable manner, sufficiently well even to satisfy, we think, our Worthy Bro. Chapin, of Wisconsin, who sets himself up as a critic in such matters.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is an admirable one.

Bro. Howard R. French, of Mount Sterling, was elected Grand Master, and Bro. Hiram Basset, of Millersburg, was re-elected Grand Secretary.

KANSAS, 1884.

The 28th Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge for this State, representing more than 200 chartered lodges and over 12,000 brethren, was held on the 20th February, 1884, at Lawrence, Kan. M. W. Bro. Geo. S. Green, Grand Master, presided.

The address of the M. W. Grand Master, and indeed the record of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge at this meeting, present nothing of special interest to the Craft here, being almost altogether confined to matters of local interest.

Looking through the report on Finance, and the Grand Secretary's and Grand Treasurer's reports, we find the receipts of the year figure at \$6,429.00; Total expenditures, \$4,831.04.

We observe a long *black list* of suspensions for non-payment of dues, which, however, is somewhat counterbalanced by the returns of "re-instated."

Report on Foreign Correspondence has been evidently prepared with much labor and care, and is a very able review of the proceedings of other Grand Lodges.