

would prevail which would compel the relinquishment by England of her unjust claim.

This Grand Lodge denounced the traffic in intoxicating liquors as a Masonic offense, and one to disqualify the candidate for initiation or affiliation in any Masonic lodge. We cannot but think that this is indulging somewhat in extremes. We believe it to be altogether *ultra vires* for any Grand Lodge to pass such a regulation in any territory where the laws of the country permit the trade. There are, as in other callings, good and bad engaged in the business, but it can safely be left with the ballot to select the former and reject the latter. The dealing in liquors is a sin in the eyes of some, who can see no fault in gambling in stocks, and other practices in trade equally discreditable. We believe that not unfrequently the "Publican" is a little ahead of the "Pharisee." When either is presented to the craft we shall always be willing to allow the ballot to judge the matter.

The Committee on Accounts show the state of the funds to be as follows :—

Balance on hand October 6th, 1883.....	\$17,788 88
Received up to and including October, 1884.....	17,032 02
	\$34,820 90
Expenditure.....	12,687 08
Balance on hand.....	\$22,133 82
Present number of Masons in Ohio.....	31,914

1885.

Seventy-sixth annual meeting held at Cincinnati October 22, 1885. M. : W. : Grand Master J. M. Goodspeed presided. His address gives in detail all his official acts.

On the motion of our esteemed representative, the following resolution was unanimously adopted :—

"Resolved, That this Grand Lodge most heartily sympathizes and approves the action of the M. : W. : Grand Lodge of Quebec in declaring non-intercourse between the members subordinate thereto and the members of the lodges St. Paul, St. George and St. Lawrence, of the city of Montreal."

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, in their report, are most emphatic in their support of Quebec.

We are much pleased to observe that our good friend, M. : W. : Bro. Stacker Williams, of Newark, is Grand Master. R. : W. : Bro. John D. Caldwell, of Cincinnati, is Grand Secretary.