

such indulgence, but require the unanimous consent of the members present; some admit one black ball, some two; the by-laws of each Lodge must, therefore, guide them in this respect; but if there be three blacks balls such person cannot, on any pretence, be admitted.

VI.—No person shall be made a mason for less than three guineas, exclusive of the registering fee; nor can a Lodge, on any pretence, remit or defer the payment of any part of this sum. The member who proposes the candidate must be responsible to the Lodge for all the fees payable on his initiation. This is not to extend to the making of serving brethren, who may be initiated by the Lodge they are to serve; provided that no fee or reward in such case be taken, and that a dispensation from the grand Master, or Provincial Grand Master, be first obtained.

VII.—Every candidate shall, on his initiation, solemnly promise to submit to the constitutions, and to conform to all the usages and regulations of the craft, intimated to him in time and place convenient.

VIII.—No candidate shall be permitted to receive more than one degree on the same day, nor at a less interval than one month from his receiving a former degree; nor shall he receive a higher degree in masonry until he has passed an examination, in open Lodge, in the previous degree. A grand Lodge certificate may, however, be procured for a brother of the first degree; and when he shall have been regularly advanced to a superior degree, a new certificate of that degree may be granted to him in exchange for his old one, free from expense.

#### OF BY-LAWS OF LODGES.

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I.—EVERY Lodge has the power of framing by-laws for its own government, provided they are not contrary to, or inconsistent with the general regulations of the grand Lodge. The by-laws must, therefore, be submitted to the approbation of the grand Master, or the Provincial Grand Master; and when approved, a fair copy must be sent to the grand secretary, and also to the Provincial Grand Master; and when any material