

NEW YORK.

We glean the following items of interest with reference to the Order in the State of New York, from a late number of the *Hebrew Leader*, published in New York City:

Reform Lodge, No. 361, New York City, initiated the largest number of candidates (86) during the past term.

There were 4,321 initiated in the State of New York last year.

There are 38,336 Odd-Fellows in the State of New York.

The total revenue of the Lodges in the State of New York for the nine months preceding December 31st, 1873, was \$241,710.

There are 5,432 Past Grands in the State of New York.

Twenty-nine Lodges working in the German language were instituted in the State of New York during the past year.

New York paid for relief of brothers last year, \$63,520; for the relief of widows, \$12,157; for burial of dead, \$17,530.

Nassau Lodge, No. 39, Brooklyn, paid the largest amount for relief of brothers during the past term, viz: \$1,174.88.

Teoronto Lodge, No. 8, Rochester, heads the list with 350 contributing members.

Lincoln Lodge, No. 180, Syracuse, paid \$1,543 for relief of widows during the past term.

For burial of dead, during the past term, Teutonia Lodge No. 14, New York City, paid \$650.

The largest revenue received is that of Lincoln Lodge No. 180, Syracuse, \$2,798 being the amount paid in.

The present membership of the Encampment in the State of New York is 5,375.

Mt. Hope Encampment, No 2, heads the list with 295 contributing members.

MISSOURI.

Grand Secretary Sloan reports the Order throughout Missouri in a healthy condition, and though not spreading rapidly, is getting stronger in real worth.

There have been nine new Lodges instituted in the past year in this State, and the Charter restored to one defunct Lodge.

The Uniformed Patriarchs of St. Louis

are drilling, preparatory to making a fine display at the session of the G. L. U. S. next fall, at Indianapolis.

TEXAS.

The general progress of the Order in the State of Texas, may be gathered from the following historical sketch in a late report by Grand Master Herring.

"The first introduction beyond the limits of the United States was the institution of Lone Star Lodge, No. 1, at Houston, in the Republic of Texas, on the 25th day of July, 1838. After two unsuccessful applications for a charter for this Grand Lodge, a third application was granted by the Grand Lodge of the United States, on the 29th of April, 1840—Lone Star Lodge, No. 1, Harmony Lodge, No. 2, and Galveston Lodge, No. 3, being the applicants. Then the infant Republic of Texas had just emerged from the din and smoke of battle, which resulted in her independence. Then our broad, fertile prairies and rich, alluvial lands were uninhabited, save by wild Indians and animals. Then the brave pioneer had to endure privations, sacrifices and dangers that fiction cannot exaggerate. Then there were but three Subordinate Lodges and but few members; but among those few are found the names of David G. Burnet, afterward President of the Republic; F. R. Lubbock, afterward Governor of the State; and others whose names, as patriots, heroes and statesmen, are a part of the history of Texas. Now we have a State that is a giant among commonwealths. We have railroads and telegraphs extending from the seaboard to the frontier, and laterally from Red River to near San Antonio. Where roamed the wild Indian and buffalo, happy homes are being reared, and thriving towns and cities being built all over our broad State; while the facilities that are being extended to immigrants, by the liberality of our wise and public-spirited railroad corporations, are absorbing, with unexampled rapidity, our unoccupied public domain.

With the numerical, moral and material prosperity of our great State, Odd-Fellowship has kept pace. Now, instead of three, we have two hundred and seventeen Subordinate Lodges, including a few that are defunct. Instead of ten Past Grands