

is the dignified bearing and the manly conduct which is one of the constituent parts of a good Mason, just such will be the character of those who seek to enter your Lodge and desire to be your brethren. When you do this, justly can you reject such as are not worthy when they knock at the door, and you yourselves will have done your whole duty as men and Masons."

A large amount of important Masonic work has been performed during the year. Foreign and internal relations are satisfactory and serene, and a fair degree of prosperity is being enjoyed.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence (Bro. G. Bouck, Chairman), departs widely from the usual form and nature of these documents. In this case, instead of being a review of the proceedings of foreign Grand Lodges, the Chairman enters into a very studied consideration of the question as to whether such work ought to be entrusted to any Committee—and if so, whether its report should not be formally and in detail considered by Grand Lodge and approved in detail before being published.

We think the learned Chairman has greatly exaggerated the dangers of allowing reviewers of foreign proceedings a pretty free hand in the expression of their views.

A majority of these brethren are not disposed, nor have they the time or space at their disposal for more than a cursory and rather superficial glance at the many interesting subjects considered by the bodies they endeavour to review. And even where a reviewing committee may express decided views on any point, no one ever mistakes them for the opinion of the Grand Lodge. They are taken for what they are worth, having regard to the learning, ability and experience of the writer. From the talent displayed by Bro. Bouck in his report, we would have most pleasant anticipations of satisfaction in studying a review from his pen of the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.

No. Lodges, 235 ; members, 16,408.

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