

The lithographed copies are now in the possession and at the disposal of this Grand Lodge, together with the estimates I received for the lithography and all communications connected therewith.

According to notice a resolution will be in order at this meeting, altering our Constitution so as to allow lodges that choose to meet semi-monthly. My opinion is that it might be desirable in some localities, but I am sure it would not do for the Lodge of which I have the honor of being a member.

We will probably have a full report from our worthy Grand Representative, which may bring up some question upon which it will be necessary for you to act, in order that your next representative may be prepared and enabled thereby to sustain your views. I believe there is a strong disposition to have the secret work somewhat changed, and a committee has been appointed for that purpose; in my opinion a change, in some respects, would be beneficial, and fully believe that the matter is in competent hands to report on.

Permit me, in conclusion, to tender to the members of this Grand Lodge my sincere thanks for the honorable position they assigned to me one year ago, for I assure you it was with many misgivings and doubts in regard to my ability that I accepted the trust which was then confided in me, and in again resuming my position as a private in the ranks among you I shall labor with increased zeal, and be at all times ready and willing to advance the interest of our order, and thus may we all co-operate in the great mission of Odd Fellowship, and hasten the period when man shall hail his brother-man with fraternal greetings; when wickedness and falsehood shall be driven from the earth, and the race of Adam form a universal family, acknowledging the God of the Universe as their Father, and every child of man as a brother; when, in short, one law shall bind all nations, tongues and kindreds of the earth, and that law shall be the law of Universal Brotherhood.

When no sigh, no murmur the wide world shall hear,
From every eye he wiped off every tear;
Fence o'er the world her olive wand extend,
And white robed innocence from Heaven descend.

SAMUEL G. DOLSON, *Grand Master.*

Rep. Bingham moved, seconded by Rep. Wigmore, that the Grand Master's Address be referred to the Committee on the State of the Order.

It was moved in amendment by Rep. Yale, seconded by Rep. Brown, that the address be referred to a Special Committee of three.

The vote being taken on the amendment it was lost, and the original motion duly carried.

On motion duly carried the Grand Lodge then adjourned to meet at 9 o'clock, Thursday morning.

Thursday Morning.

Lodge was opened in the Grand Lodge Degree, by Grand Master Dolson, for the instruction of new members.

The Roll being called, the following answered to their names, viz:

Officers Dolson, King, Peel, Read, Glover, Walthew, and Partridge, and all the Representatives.

The Grand Master then appointed P. G. Skinner, of London, as Conductor, *pro tem.*