

petition on the ground that he is a saloon keeper and sells liquor. The Brother objects and the D. D. G. M. decides as follow:

As Bro. Croft was in the saloon business before the enactment of said Sovereign Grand Lodge, and has been in it continuously, therefore Brother Croft has certain vested rights that his Lodge cannot interfere with, and Brother Croft is eligible for reinstatement.

I sustained the decision of the D. D. G. M., but decided further that if the Brother had given up the saloon business and engaged in any other pursuit, he could not again enter into that business without forfeiting his rights to reinstatement.

From Victoria Lodge, No. 1, against the decision of the D. D. G. M. for District No. 1. The question submitted to the D. D. G. M. was as follows:

Can the Noble Grand of a Lodge permit the admission of the members of a visiting Lodge when paying a fraternal visit in a body, without each member giving the regular password at the inner door, or should the Inside Guardian obtain the password from each individual separately before admitting him?

The D. D. G. M. decided that the password must be given by each individual member, and I sustained his decision, referring the Lodge to Installation Charges to the Noble Grand and Inside Guardian.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

1. *Ques.*—Can a D. D. G. M. grant a Dispensation to confer the three Degrees on a Brother at one meeting?

Ans.—The duties of the D. D. G. M. are laid down in Sec. 7, Art. IV, Constitution of the Grand Lodge. For power to confer three Degrees on a member at one regular meeting, see Con., Sub. Art. V, Sec. 1.

2. *Ques.*—1st. Can a Brother decline nomination for office? 2nd: In case all nominees decline, what then?

Ans.—1st: Yes. 2nd: Failure to elect officers would result in the Lodge forfeiting its Charter.

3. *Ques.*—Is a Noble Grand who served eleven nights of the term in the chair and had to leave the town to attend to his work, entitled to Past Grand honours?

Ans.—No.

4. *Ques.*—a. Is the Warden eligible for the office of Noble Grand, not having served a term as Vice Grand?