Deputy Grand Lodge Officer Bro. A. M. Spence, they are full of interesting information, and we congratulate this Grand Lodge upon having such an able and efficient officer for the district of South Africa.

In the matter of the request of Lodge Port Elizabeth asking that the name of their Lodge be changed to Victoria, we recommend that the petition be granted.

J. W. HIGGINBOTHAM, Chairman. S. B. POLLARD, JOHN MELLON, E. CROWHURST.

On motion of Dr. Pollard, the report as read was adopted.

The Committee on Widows and Orphans presented their report.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WIDOWS & ORPHANS.

LINDSAY, FEB. 11th, 1885.

Grand Lodge, Sons of England.

Your Committee on Widows' and Orphans' Fund wish to report progress and ask further time to consider the question and report at the next Grand Lodge.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of your Committee,

Bro. CHESTER,

- " PARTRIDGE,
- " HARRIS,
- " MARTIN,
- " MELLON.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

The Grand Lodge then went into Committee of the whole on the Second Degree Ritual; Bro. Dr. Pollard in the chair. The new Ritual was considered clause by clause; when completed, the Committee rose and reported the Second Degree Ritual, as passed in Committee.

The Grand President in the chair, Dr. Pollard moved the adoption of the report of the Committee of the whole on Second Degree Ritual.—Carried.

A hearty vote of thanks was proposed and carried unanimeusly to Bro. Dr. King for the care and attention he had