

cerning a bale of cotton donated by the Goldsboro Lodge, showing the net proceeds to be \$534.

The committee on the Grand Master's address made their report, dividing it out among the proper committees.

The Grand Lodge then proceeded to the election of Grand Officers for the ensuing year, which resulted as follows:

Grand Master—H. H. Munson, of Wilmington

Senior Grand Warden—R. W. Hardee, of Fayetteville.

Junior Grand Warden—J. C. L. Gudger, of Waynesville.

Grand Treasurer—W. E. Anderson, of Raleigh.

Grand Secretary—D. W. Bain, of Raleigh.

S. H. Rountree, B. Walker, C. D. Rice, G. B. Harris and H. F. Grainger were appointed a committee on Work.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until to-morrow at 10 o'clock.

THIRD DAY.

The Grand Lodge met at the appointed hour, and the minutes of yesterday were read and adopted.

The committee No. 2 on suspensions and expulsions made their report, making sundry recommendations, which was adopted.

The committee on the books of the Grand Secretary reported, highly complimenting that officer, which was adopted.

The special order—the report of the committee on the Orphan Asylum—was taken up and passed upon *seriatim*. This report endorses the abandonment of the Asheville branch of the Asylum work, and the Grand Lodge refusing to re-deed the Asheville property to the original donor.

The orphan work is to be concentrated at Oxford. A committee was appointed to wait on the Legislature and solicit an appropriation to the Orphan Asylum. The report highly endorses the official action of the Superintendent. The report was then adopted and the committee continued.

On motion a committee was appointed to secure the services of a Past Grand Master, to install the Grand Officers elect. A. M. Noble, T. S. Kenan, and J. W. Cotten were appointed the committee.

Committee No. 3, on returns of subordinate Lodges made their report, showing a number of returns incorrect.

The committee on Accounts and Claims made a partial report in which they recommended that the name of only of Secretaries be incorporated in the published proceedings; appoints the Grand Treasurer as the proxy of the Grand Lodge, to represent it in the meeting of the Masonic Temple Association at its next meeting, and that he be instructed to seek a release of the \$10,000 subscription to the Temple by the Grand Lodge, and endorses the action of the Grand Treasurer, in renting and insuring the Hall for the use of this Grand Lodge.

A resolution from the Committee on Orphan Asylum, instructs the Grand Master and Superintendent to fix all salaries of officers and teachers, also recommending the re election of J. H. Mills as Superintendent.—Adopted and he was unanimously re elected.

The Grand Lodge was then called off until 3 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

R. W. Best, from the committee on Appeals, made a report which was adopt-

ed. W. R. Kenan, from the Committee on Propositions and Grievances, reported recommending to remit the dues of Mt. Vernon Lodge.—Adopted.

A like petition from Blackmer Lodge which they recommended to be granted.—Adopted.

D. G. W. Ward, from the Committee No. 2 upon Returns, made a report which was received. This report shows that a number of Lodges make erroneous reports.

Committee No. 1 on the same, reported, which was received.

The Grand Secretary was instructed to omit the names of all Lodges from the minutes making improper returns.

J. H. Mills offered a resolution thanking Franklin Lodge, No. 150, Va., for courtesies to him as Superintendent of the Orphan Asylum.

C. D. Rice, from the Committee on Work, offered a report which was adopted.

T. D. Johnston, presented a claim of Mt. Hermon Lodge, for Asheville Orphan Asylum. Referred to a special committee.

The special order having come up, the Grand Lodge was called off until 7½ o'clock, and went in a body to the Baptist Seminary, about sixty of the Brethren being in the line, and were met by Prof. Hobgood and highly entertained with music and calisthenic exercises by the young ladies of the school. All expressed themselves highly gratified with the entertainment.

EVENING SESSION.

The Grand Master appointed T. S. Keuan, C. A. Cilley and C. D. Rice, a special committee to prepare resolutions of respect to the memory of Brother John Dove, deceased Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Virginia.

The special hour for the installation of the Grand Officers elect having arrived, E. S. Martin was appointed Marshal for the occasion, and Past Grand Master E. G. Reade proceeded to install them as follows:

M. W. Grand Master—H. H. Munson.
Senior Grand Warden—R. W. Hardee.
Junior Grand Warden—J. C. L. Gudger.

Grand Treasurer—W. E. Anderson.
Grand Secretary—D. W. Bain.
Deputy Grand Master—C. A. Cilley.
Grand Chaplain—Rev. J. C. Hartsell.
Senior Grand Deacon—A. M. Noble.
Junior Grand Deacon—J. I. Meares.
Grand Marshal—Robert Bingham.
" Sword Bearer—J. S. Battle.
" Pursuivant—E. H. Glover.
" Tiler—Miles Goodwyn.

Thos. D Johnston offered a resolution relative to the relinquishing of certain claims on the Asheville Asylum property, which was laid on the table.

James Southgate completed the report of the committee on Accounts and Claims, which was adopted.

James Southgate reported from the special committee on the claim of J. H. Carter against the Asheville Asylum for \$148, assumed by members of Mount Hermon Lodge, recommending the payment of the amount.—Adopted.

The report of the committee on Foreign Correspondence was referred to Past Grand Master E. G. Reade to revise before printing.

J. H. Mills spoke in the interest of the Orphan work, and recommended the organizing of Orphans' Aid Societies.

W. E. Anderson offered a resolution

instructing the Grand Tiler to open the Grand Lodge hall as a Masonic headquarters whenever visitors in the city shall desire it.

FOURTH DAY.

The Grand Lodge met at the appointed hour, Grand Master Munson and other officers in their respective stations and places.

The minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

C. D. Rice, from the special committee on memoirs, reported resolutions of respect to the memory of John Dove, deceased Grand Secretary of Virginia, which were adopted by a rising vote.

The usual resolutions of thanks to the various railroads for courtesies extended were passed.

A resolution of thanks to the various hotels and boarding houses for courtesies was adopted.

The committee on Work submitted a minority report which was received and referred to a committee of three.

The meeting of the next session of the Grand Lodge was fixed for Tuesday, December 4th, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

On motion, C. A. Cilley, W. R. Cox and W. E. Anderson were appointed trustees to hold property for the Orphan Asylum.

John Nichols, from the committee on Jurisprudence, made a report submitting several important cases reviewed, and endorsing the several actions of the Past Grand Master.—Adopted. Also referring to the law affecting dismemberment for the non-payment of dues. C. D. Rice offered a resolution referring the question to the committee on Jurisprudence, to report at the next session of the Grand Lodge.

Wm. Simpson offered a resolution of thanks to Chas. Noble & Co., of Philadelphia, for the present of a handsome stove for the use of the Grand Lodge Hall.—Adopted.

J. W. Cotten offered a resolution instructing the Grand Treasurer to purchase a new set of regalia and jewels.

The Grand Master appointed the following standing committees:

On Foreign Correspondence—G. B. Harris, E. G. Reade and James Southgate.

On Printing—W. G. Hill, W. E. Anderson and D. W. Bain.

On Credentials—J. B. Neathery, C. D. Rice and R. W. Best.

The minutes were read and approved, and the Grand Lodge of North Carolina was closed in ample form.

This was one of the largest representations that has ever assembled in this Grand Body—there being about 300 in attendance. Great harmony prevailed, though there was often sharp and eloquent debates in the effort by members to sustain their positions on subjects under consideration.

Our Orphan Work absorbed more interest and attention than anything else, and wise deliberations were had respecting its interest. The Grand Lodge appropriated \$2,000, the same as last year, and a committee was appointed to ask the Legislature for an appropriation. We believe that the prospect of the Institution is more hopeful than last year, and by the abiding interest expressed by the Grand Lodge its usefulness will increase and its support be assured.

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