

ceive such compensation for time and services as may be determined by the Master and the Executive Committee: Provided, In no case shall pay from the National Grange be given General Deputies in any State after the formation of its State Grange.

ARTICLE X.

SECTION 1. The financial reports of Subordinate Granges shall be made on the first day of January, the first day of April, the first day of July and the first day of October.

SEC. 2. State Granges shall date their financial existence three months after the first day of January, first day of April, first day of July and first day of October, immediately following their organization.

SEC. 3. The financial year of the National Grange shall close on the 30th day of September.

ARTICLE XI.

Each session of the National Grange shall fix the compensation of its members.

ARTICLE XII.

Special meetings of the National Grange shall be called by the Master upon the application of the Masters of twenty State Granges, one month's notice of such meeting being given to all members of the National Grange. No alterations or amendments to the By-Laws or Ritual shall be made at any special meeting.

ARTICLE XIII.

Upon the demand of five members, the ayes and noes may be called on any question, and when so called shall be entered by the Secretary upon his minutes.

ARTICLE XIV.

Past-Masters are Masters who have been duly elected and installed, and who have served out the term for which they were elected.

ARTICLE XV.

Vacancies in office may be filled at any regular meeting of the Grange.

ARTICLE XVI.

Two or more Subordinate Granges may be consolidated in the manner following, to wit:—

Application for permission to consolidate shall be made to the Master of the State Grange and his consent obtained. One of the consolidating Granges shall then vote to surrender its Charter and to consolidate with the other; and the other must vote to receive all the members of the surrendering Grange.

A copy of each vote, duly authenticated, must be transmitted to the Secretary of the State Grange and the surrendered charter must be returned to the National Grange through the office of the Secretary of the State Grange, with the fact and date of its surrender and consolidation endorsed thereon, authenticated by the seal and signature of the Secretary of the State Grange: provided, that nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize the surrender of the charter of a Grange in which nine men and four women shall desire to continue the organization thereof.

ARTICLE XVII.

SECTION 1. In case satisfactory evidence shall come to the Master of a State Grange, that a Grange has been organized contrary to the laws and usages of the Order, or is working in violation of the same, it shall be the duty of the Master to suspend such offending Grange, and at once forward to the Master of the National Grange notice of the same, together with the evidence in the case, who shall, if in his opinion the good of the Order requires such action, revoke the Charter of such offending Grange.

SEC. 2. Granges, whose Charters are thus revoked, may appeal to the National Grange at its next session for the final action of that body.