

credited representative from the Grand Commandery of Louisiana, which were courteously received and accepted.

V. E. † Frater T. D. Harington owing to the increase of his official duties, deemed it advisable to ask to be relieved from the position of Dep. Grand Prior and Dep. Grand Commander for the Dominion. The Grand Priory expressed its deep regret at the loss of the services in that position of so eminent and zealous a frater.

V. E. † Frater S. B. Harman, was then proclaimed Dep. Grand Prior and Dep. Grand Commander of the Dominion.

A cordial vote of thanks was tendered to the Sir Knights of the Geoffrey de St. Aldemar and Odo de St. Amand Encampments for their hospitalities courteously extended to the members in attendance.

The next Annual Assembly will be held at the City of Kingston.

The Grand Priory was then closed in due form.

CRYPTIC MASONRY.

The Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario, convened in Annual Convocation in the Masonic Hall at Toronto, on the 13th day of August 1872, at 3 P. M. and opened in due form.

PRESENT :

R. Ill. Comp.	Daniel Spry, Toronto,	as M. P. Grand Master.
" " "	N. Gordon Bigelow, Toronto,	as R. P. D. " "
" " "	D. McLellan, Hamilton,	as R. P. " "
V. " "	M. McLeod, Bradford,	as P. " "
R. " "	Thos. Sargant, Toronto,	as Grand Recorder.
" " "	F. J. Menet, "	as " Treasurer.
" " "	W. H. Porter, Bradford,	as " M. of Cer.
" " "	H. W. Wood, Knowlton Que.	as " Capt. of Guard.
" " "	W. J. Morris, Toronto,	as " Conductor.
" " "	J. B. Nixon, "	as " Steward.
" " "	J. L. Dixon, "	as " Sentinel.

The Grand Recorder read a communication from the Most Puissant Grand Master, M. Ill. Comp. T. Douglas Harington, expressing his regret that through ill health he was unable to be present with the Illustrious Companions at the Annual Convocation.

In absence of the M. P. G. Master, the D. P. Grand M. R. Ill. Comp. Daniel Spry of Toronto presented the following address to the Comp's. assembled in Council.

"To the M. P. Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of Ontario, assembled in Annual Convocation at Toronto August 13th 1872.

ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANIONS,

In the absence of our M. P. G. Master who is unable to be with us owing to ill health, it devolves upon me to open Grand Council and to preside over its deliberations during the present Convocation.

In assembling together at the first Annual Convocation, we are enabled to review the events of the past year, and to a certain extent judge of the wisdom of the Illustrious Companions who but one year ago met in this city, and with an earnest desire to advance the best interest of Cryptic Masonry, and to assist in giving it a permanent place among the Masonic orders of this Dominion, organized the Grand Council of Ontario.