

CONCLUSION.

Brethren, I am sensible of many shortcomings in the ideal I had laid down for my guidance in the performance of my duties as your Grand Master. I must plead the result of a serious illness as my excuse for not giving personal attention to the requirements of the office outside of the City of Montreal.

I thank you for the honor conferred on me by the Grand Lodge, in electing me to the distinguished office of Grand Master ; and I will give to the Brother you will elect at this Communication as my successor the same support and assistance as I have received from my predecessors, and the Officers and Brethren of this Grand Lodge.

Brethren,—May our work, began in order, be continued in peace and closed in harmony.

F. EDGAR,

Grand Master.

It was moved by Past Grand Master GRAHAM seconded by Past Grand Master TAIT :

That the Address of M. W. Grand Master Edgar, just delivered to Grand Lodge, be referred to the Committee on the State of Masonry, with instructions to that Committee to report thereon, as early as practicable, to this Grand Lodge, during its present session."

The motion was carried.

