

MINUTES

HALL OF EXCELSIOR LODGE No. 44,
HAMILTON, AUG. 6th, 1869.

Pat. James Woodyatt, D. D. G. Sire, with a constitutional number of Grand Encampment members, consisting of F. M. Foster, G. H. P., Jno. Sprague, G. S. W., Isaac Sides, G. Sentinel and Henry McAfee, G. Scribe, proceeded to institute a Grand Encampment, as authorized by the Dispensation of the M. W. Gd. Sire, attested by the Seal and Signature of the Rt. W. G. Corresponding and Recording Secretary of the Grand Lodge, U. S., James Ridgely, Esq.

The following named Patriarchs who were Petitioners for the Charter for this Grand Encampment were then duly instructed in the G. E. degree, viz. :—Pats. S. G. Dolson, Henry McAfee, Jas. Smith, Jno. Gibson, Geo. H. Marlatt, and A. D. Clement, after which proclamation was made that the Grand Encampment was duly instituted.

The following P. C. Pat.'s and P. H. P.'s of the Encampments named were then introduced and instructed in the Grand Encampment Degree, viz. :—Union No. 1, Pat. Adam Purves; Frontier No. 2, Pats. Alfred Hay, John Batty, Thos. Cowley and Caleb Knight; Harmony No 3 :—Pats. M. D. Dawson, Edmund Beltz, Geo. Powell, Sen., Jno. Hunter, Robert Kirkpatrick, and R. J. C. Dawson; Brant No. 4 :—Pat. Josiah B. King, and Beaver No. 6. Pat., Robert Barbour.

D. D. G. Sire, Jas. Woodyatt, P.C.P. became a member of this Grand Encampment by unanimous consent.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The D. D. Gd. Sire appointed Pats. Foster and Sprague as scrutineers.

The following Pats. were then nominated for the office of G.P., viz. :—P.C.P.'s, H. McAfee, S. G. Dolson, and Jas. Woodyatt.

P. Jas Woodyatt, was declared duly elected as Grand Patriarch.

Pa. S. G. Dolson was declared elected H. Priest, by acclamation.

Pa. E. Beltz, was, on the 3d Ballot, duly elected Grand Warden.

Pa. M. D. Dawson was elected Gd. Scribe by acclamation.