

should say, *mis-represented*. This was principally done by Past Masters or Masters who attended the Convention, and took part in its proceedings, in the hope of getting their action afterwards endorsed by their respective Lodges. In other instances, a majority vote was considered sufficient to carry over the Lodge, and it was most assiduously instilled into the membership that it was the duty of every Mason to acquiesce in such a vote when duly passed; although the parties who taught such doctrine knew perfectly well that a majority, however large, cannot, and never could, transfer the allegiance of a masonic Lodge. Several of the Lodges reported to have been "*represented*" at the Convention, have since expressly repudiated all connection with the new movement, and remain true to their allegiance with this Grand Lodge. Of these, I may name Shawenagam, No. 134, Three Rivers, and Victoria, No. 173, Montreal. Mount Royal, No. 202, Montreal, I am positively assured, is now unanimous on the subject of remaining under the Grand Lodge of Canada, and will take action accordingly at its next meeting. St. George's, No. 440, E. R., Montreal, had only appointed a committee to watch the proceedings and report; but the members of the Lodge do not intend to commit themselves to the Quebec scheme. A number of the members of Zetland Lodge have presented me with the following petition:

A. A. Stevenson, Esq.,

MONTREAL, November 15, 1869.

*Most Worshipful Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Canada.*

MOST WORSHIPFUL SIR AND BROTHER.

The undersigned members of Zetland Lodge, No. 21, C. R., beg respectfully to represent, that at the regular communication of that Lodge, held on October 14th, the District Deputy Grand Master, on account of insulting and contumacious conduct of certain of the members, suspended the Lodge, and took possession of its Warrant.

They also avail themselves of this occasion to express their regret that any indignity or insult should have been offered to either the District Deputy Grand Master, or any other Masonic authority.

They further state that at the time referred to, several Brethren, whose names are hereunto appended, held opinions favorable to the establishment of an Independent Grand Lodge for this Province; but after careful consideration, they are convinced that the proceedings adopted on the 20th ult., having that object in view, were of a precipitate and unmasonic character, and do not meet with their approval.

They therefore request that the aforesaid suspension, so far as it applies to them, may be removed, and that they may be permitted to continue the work of Zetland Lodge, as heretofore, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada; and inasmuch as the Worshipful Master is absent from the Province, and both of the Wardens are ostensibly working under what they call another Masonic Jurisdiction, they have further to request that you will appoint such Brethren as you may think properly qualified to discharge the duties of Master and Wardens for the time being.

We remain, Most Worshipful Sir and Brother,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

ALEX. HOLMES.

JAS. HENDERSON, M. M.

J. G. A. LEBLANC, M. M.

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