

GRAND LODGE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

At the annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia held in the city of Victoria, on June 20th, the following brethren were respectively elected or appointed, obligated and installed for the ensuing year:—

M. W. Bro. Thomas Trounce, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. William Dalby, Deputy Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Alex. R. Milne, Grand Senior Warden.

R. W. Bro. Josias C. Hughes, Grand Junior Warden.

R. W. Bro. Henry F. Heistermann, Grand Treasurer.

V. W. Bro. Edward C. Neufelder (re-elected), Grand Secretary.

Bro. William Trickey (re elected), Grand Tyler.

APPOINTED.

W. Bro. Dixi H. Ross, Grand Senior Deacon.

W. Bro. Ralph Craig, Grand Junior Deacon.

W. Bro. John S. Clute, Grand Superintendent of Works.

W. Bro. Isaac Oppenheimer, Grand Director of Ceremonies.

W. Bro. James Millar, Grand Marshal.

W. Bro. Sibley S. Clarke, Grand Sword Bearer.

W. Bro. Marcus Wolfe, Grand Standard Bearer.

W. Bro. G. Novello Westwood, Grand Organist.

W. Bro. E. J. Salmon, Grand Pursuivant.

Grand Stewards,—W. Bros. D. Cartmel, John D. Rae, Sherman Proctor, William Manson.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES.

(In addition to Ex-Officio Members.)

R. W. Bro. Eli Harrison, Sr., r. G. M.; W. Bro. Henry Brown, P. G. M.; W. Bro. Dixi H. Ross; R. W. Bro. Marcus Wolfe; W. Bro. James Millar; W. Bro. John S. Clute.

THROUGH an error of the printer, the date was not changed on the cover of the last CRAFTSMAN, so the July number appears as June. The dates will be found all right inside.

NON-INTERCOURSE.

Quebec vs. the English Subordinates.

The Grand Lodge of Vermont held its annual communication June 10th and 11th. The Grand Master, alluding to the present difficulties between the Grand Lodge of Quebec and that of England, expressed himself in the following forcible language, which was heartily re-echoed by the Grand Lodge:—

"At the session of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, held in the month of January last, that Grand Body indorse the proclamation of its Grand Master issued January 1st, 1885, declaring non-intercourse with the members of three lodges still existing on the roll of the Grand lodge of England, and working in the city of Montreal; thus continuing to encroach upon the Grand Lodge of Quebec, which the Grand Lodge of Vermont has fully recognized as sovereign within the Province of Quebec; and, this too, after repeated and fraternal remonstrances with the Grand Lodge of England.

"After having declined to enter into negotiations towards a settlement of the difficulties, the Grand Master issued his proclamation declaring non-intercourse with said lodges, which I hope this Grand Lodge will fully indorse at its present communication.

"I would recommend that the proclamation of the Grand Lodge of Quebec be fully indorsed by the Grand Lodge of Vermont, and only wish that the Grand Lodge of Quebec had declared non-intercourse with the Grand Lodge of England as well."

The committee to whom was referred the above portion of the Grand Master's address reported as follows:—

Resolved,—That the Grand Lodge of Vermont approves the proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, declaring non-intercourse with the three lodges in that jurisdiction who refuse to submit to the authority of the Sovereign Grand Lodge of Quebec, and continue their allegiance to the Grand Lodge of England.

The above resolution was adopted without a dissenting voice, and the Masons of Vermont have again placed themselves on record as upholders and defenders of the doctrine of exclusive Grand Sovereignty.

FRANK W. BAXTER.