

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

R. W. Grand Secretary and Treasurer,

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R. W. GRAND LODGE OF CANADA WEST,

For the year ending August 6th, 1867.

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To the M. W. Grand Master, Officers and Representatives.

BROTHERS.—Another year, fraught with many of the changes incident to human life, has passed since last we met in the Town of Brantford.—With its close devolves upon me the necessity of rendering an account of my stewardship, which you will find substantially as follows:—

Immediately at the close of the Session I received tenders from the Brantford *Expositor* and *Courier* for printing the Journal of 1866. The latter being the lowest, I accepted, and with all due dispatch compiled the minutes of the Session and had printed (225) two hundred and twenty-five copies, of which I forwarded the usual numbers to each of the Officers and Representatives of the Grand Lodge; also, to each subordinate Lodge and the several Grand Lodges and Grand Encampments in the United States.

On the 7th August I wrote to the members of the late Imperial Lodge, "Burford," the action taken by the Grand Lodge in reference to their application for cards. (See pp. 372, Jour. 1866.) And on the 31st October, Bros. Wm. Douglass, J. R. Douglass; Jno. Collins, and Lewis W. Evans, each paying the amount of his indebtedness to Imperial Lodge when it became defunct, and together with Bros. J. R. Ramsay and S. G. Mathews, applied for cards of clearance which were duly given them, and they each having applied to Gore Lodge, No. 34, of Brantford, for deposit of card, and having been accepted I paid to that Lodge the amount necessary for such admission, amounting to (\$48.50) forty-eight dollars and fifty cents.

On the 16th August, I received from the M. W. Grand Master fifteen (15) circulars (referred to by him in his report, pp. 349, Jour. 1866.) asking aid for Palmetto and Congaree Lodges of Columbia, S. C., which I at once forwarded to the several Lodges in this jurisdiction, and in response received from Frontier Lodge \$10.00 and from Chatham Lodge, 29, \$6.00, in all \$16.00, U. S. currency. After waiting a sufficient time to hear from all the Lodges, I forwarded the amount to the committee appointed to receive it, which has been duly acknowledged.

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