

turn by the afternoon train; and I am requested by the Brethren in Montreal to say that they will be happy to have their Brethren from the country to lunch during the day.

Hoping to see a full representation of the loyal Lodges at this meeting.

I am,

Yours faithfully and fraternally,

THOS. WHITE, Jr.,

Deputy Grand Master.

MASONIC CONFERENCE.

MONTREAL, 21st September 1871.

A meeting of joint Committees, one named by the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, the other by a meeting of representatives of Lodges of the Province of Quebec, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, for the purpose of a Conference, having in view the restoration of harmony in the fraternity within the Province of Quebec, was held this evening at the Masonic Hall, Place d'Armes.

PRESENT :

M. W. Bro. STEVENSON.

R. W. " THOS. WHITE, JR.

" " REV. H. MONTGOMERY.

" " GUTMAN.

" " ERSKINE.

W. " TURNER.

R. W. Bro. H. J. PHATTEN.

" " M. R. MEIGS.

" " REV. C. P. REID.

" " MILTON.

" " F. EDGAR.

" " ISAACSON.

V. W. Bro. TAIT.

On motion of R. W. Bro. C. P. Reid, seconded by R. W. Bro. Milton, M. W. Bro. A. A. Stevenson was unanimously selected to act as Chairman.

On motion of R. W. Bro. White seconded by R. W. Bro. Montgomery, R. W. Bro. Isaacson was requested to act as Secretary.

The blessing of the G. A. O. T. U. was invoked on the deliberations of the meeting by R. W. Bro. Rev. C. P. Reid.

M. W. Bro. STEVENSON then briefly stated the object of the meeting. He read the resolution passed in the Grand Lodge of Canada, under authority of which a meeting of representatives of Lodges in this Province working under that jurisdiction had been held; and he also read the resolutions passed at that meeting, appointing the Committee, now present with the exception of V. W. Bro. Racicot, who was unfortunately prevented by business from attending. He trusted that this conference would result in the restoration of peace and harmony to the craft in this jurisdiction.

After a short pause, no member of the conference rising to make any observation, M. W. Bro. Stevenson stated that a Committee of which he was a member, learning that the general meeting could not be held until the evening, had met in the afternoon and had prepared certain resolutions, which they considered might form the basis of a union. He would, therefore, in order to facilitate matters, submit the following :

1. "That all acts done by the Grand Lodge of Canada, and that of Quebec respectively, within the Province of Quebec, and all the acts done by the several lodges hailing from those bodies respectively, so far as the same are legal under the Constitutions of the respective Grand Lodges, be declared to be legal and binding Masonic acts.

2. "That all the Lodges within the Province of Quebec, whether hailing from the Grand Lodge of Canada, or from that of Quebec, be re-numbered on the Register of the Grand Lodge of Quebec, according to seniority, such seniority being determined by the date of the original warrant, the Lodge being held to be the custodian of the warrant to whom it was originally granted, whether at this time in possession of such warrant or not.

3. "That all Masonic rank acquired either in the Grand Lodge of Canada, or in that of Quebec, as well as that acquired in any subordinate Lodge in this Province be maintained.

4. "That the Grand Lodge shall be styled 'The United Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of the Province of Quebec.'