

they would invite the attention of the Supreme Council to the consideration of his official act No. 1, and recommend that the powers of Special Deputies be defined, as, in the opinion of your Committee, the Supreme Council never intended that the powers of said Deputies should cover the conferring of the 32nd Degree. While this is the opinion of the Committee, they do not think that the Illustrious Special Deputy did exceed the powers which he considered he possessed.

In regard to the Report of the Special Deputy for British Columbia, your Committee recommend that the Ill. Secretary-General communicate with Ill. Bro. HARRISON, giving him such information in reference to the Degrees and the duties of Special Deputies as will place that Brother in possession of the intention of the Supreme Council in making him their Deputy in that Province.

Your Committee cannot recommend that any Deputy or Special Deputy should have power to confer Degrees as an Honorarium, or to shorten the time necessary to elapse between the conferring of Degrees, or to exercise any power not conferred on them by the Constitution or by the Sovereign Grand Commander.

E. M. COPELAND, 33°,
Chairman.

On motion of Ill. Bro. Murray, seconded by Ill. Bro. Stearns, the Report was received and adopted.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Audit and Finance was read as follows :

To the Supreme Council, 33° :

The Committee on Audit and Finance beg to report that they have carefully examined the books and accounts of the Secretary and Treasurer General, and have found them correct and in good order, showing a balance of eleven hundred and thirty-six dollars and eight cents (\$1136.08), which is deposited in the Bank of Hamilton.

Your Committee beg to congratulate the Supreme Council on the financial position, and are of opinion that its present prosperous condition is due in a great measure to the zealous and careful management of our worthy Secretary and Treasurer General.

Your Committee recommend the payment of the following accounts :

Secretary-General—postages, express, telegrams, etc.,	\$30.19.
Wm. Bruce—engrossing	14.95.

Respectfully and fraternally submitted,

I. H. STEARNS, 33°,
W. J. B. McLEOD MOORE, 33°.

On motion
SIMPSON, the

Ill. Bro.
the following
and was un-

Resolved,—
and pleasure it
Supreme Council
O. TYLER, Dep
of Bro. D. B.
Michigan, and
fraternal and
Council.

The Com
presented th

To the Supreme

The Commit
referred the app
issued authorizin
are of opinion th
being granted, an
Dispensation so
elected which are

Ill. Bro.
that the com
Council to Sp
and British C
now extended
contained in
further period

The question
of the 33°, wh
by Ill. Bro.
this Session, w
moving the fol
Bro. REID, vi