

[Oct., 1879.]

SUPREME COUNCIL.

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To honor his memory the S. C. has decided :—

1st—That the advice of his death shall be sent to all the Rep. of the S. C., to give official communication thereof to the Gr. Masonic Bodies near which they are accredited.

2nd—That similar advice shall be given to all Masonic Bodies of its obedience, with invitation to commence their labors during three successive meetings with a triple mourning salute.

Receive, thrice Ill. Brethren, the expression of our fraternal sentiments.

By order of the Sup. Council,

L. RICHE, 33°,
Sec. Gen.

[APPENDIX G.]

Extracts from a Pamphlet issued by Ill. Bro. Pike, Sov. Gr. Commander of Southern Jurisdiction, U. S. A., on the question of the Government of Symbolic Lodges by Supreme Councils, referred to in report of Committee on Foreign Relations.

Letter to the Supreme Council of Mexico.

OR. OF WASHINGTON,

1st day of Adar, A. M. 5638.

4th February, 1878.

To the M. P. and Ill. Bro. Alfredo Chavero, 33°, Sov. Gr. Commander of the Supreme Council of Mexico.

M. P., ILL., AND VERY DEAR BROTHER :

I hear with deep regret of the rebellious disturbances which have occurred in your jurisdiction, where peace, harmony and prosperity seemed to be the fruits of the wise government of your Supreme Council. We believed that, from the diffusion by your efforts of the beautiful and sublime teachings of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, the greatest benefits would accrue to the Mexican Republic; and we hoped that no feuds would arise to diminish your good influences and make Masonry powerless, because disunited.

But that which has now occurred among you has again and again occurred elsewhere. The Supreme Council of Peru has had the same ill-fortune. In that of Central America the same differences have arisen. In the jurisdiction of Colon there has been bitter strife between the Supreme Council and the Blue Lodges. In the Argentine Republic all is turmoil and dissension. In Belgium the Supreme Council has found it necessary to consent to the independence of the Blue Lodges.