

this Great Body, he is the person to take initiatory steps towards a reconciliation.

The Council regret that reference should have been made to the omission to publish certain paragraphs of the Allocution of last year. The Supreme Grand Master has evidently forgotten that a remonstrance was made in Sovereign Great Priory as to the advisability of printing such paragraphs, and he gave permission to have them struck out if it was considered advisable. The omission should in no way give rise to any conjectures that anything said by the Supreme Grand Master was unsuitable to be recorded, but the Council fear that the remarks in the Allocution now before them may possibly give rise to those conjectures of which he is so apprehensive.

Turning to a more pleasing subject, the Grand Council acknowledge the invitations extended to the Frateres to attend the Triennial Assembly of the General Grand Encampment of the United States. Those Canadian Frateres who availed themselves of the invitation, are unanimous in expressing their pleasure at the hospitable and generous welcome they received, and at the many acts of courtesy shown. Long may the present kindly feelings exist between the two Sovereign Great Bodies.

It is a source of gratification to find that an exemplification of the ceremonies as revised will be had during this assembly. May the great advantages arising from witnessing the work be disseminated by the Eminent Preceptors among the Preceptories.

The death of R. E. Frater Charles Davis Macdonald is deeply regretted. It is recommended that a memorial page in the Proceedings be accorded to his memory.

The Grand Council remark with approbation the declarations of Christian principles with which the Allocution concludes, and may it not be safely asserted that an Order which inculcates not only a duty to the All-Wise and Merciful Creator, but also to our fellow-mortals, must make its enrolled members faithful and tolerant.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

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