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James E. Fraser, LeBaron Wilson, E. A. Potter, David Conn, Chris. Proctor, Jr. J. F. Gilroy, A. D. Macpherson, Geo. E. Hughes, Alonzo Staples, Chas. H. Thomas, John Palmer, John E. Sutton, J. M. Deacon, J. M. Lusby,

New Brunswick, No. 1. Union, No. 2. Cumberland, No. 5. ** 44 1 Fredericton, No. 6. .. " " " Ivanhoe, No. 7. Border, No. 8. Chignecto, No. 11.

Grand Chancellor Fraser read his report, which was received and réferred to a special committee, composed of the following: Past Grand Chancellor Moulson and Past Chancellors Fowler and Gilroy.

Report of Grand Chancellor.

Fredericton, N. B., September 20, 1892. Pythian Period xxix.

To the Officers and Members of Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, of the Maritime Provinces :--

DEAR BRETHREN:—In relinquishing the authority vested in me by this Grand Lodge, I have many regrets, the principal of which is, that I have been unable to give that care, thought and attention to the duties entrusted to me that this important office requires.

To properly and effectively perform these duties the Grand Chancellor must necessarily devote a great amount of his time to them, and it would seem to me that too much is expected of, and too much authority is vested in, him.

When I assumed the office, I hoped that, in addition to faithfully performing the executive work, I would be able to at least visit each Subordinate Lodge not less than twice during my term. Business engagements entered into subsequent to my election made it impossible for me to cover the ground more than once. And here let me say that under existing circumstances it is difficult indeed for a professional or business man to accomplish more.

In many respects my term has been an uneventful one. No questions of great importance have been submitted to me for decision, though I have been asked unofficially for an opinion on some minor matters.

One of my first official acts was the appointment of my Deputies, as follows :

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