

Committee and a House Committee, the first name on the former being that of our old friend, Bro. Brackstone Baker, whose mother Lodge is St. John's of this city, and upon whom the Grand Lodge of Canada conferred the honorary rank of Grand Senior Warden, at its Annual Communication held at London in 1868. The committee are all earnest minded Masons, to whom the prosperity of the Girls' School is a constant source of effort and anxiety. By their daily toil for its interests, they illustrate, in a practical form, their love for and appreciation of the true principles of Freemasonry; and they have their reward in the prayers and benedictions of hundreds of the children of Masons, who, through their efforts, are fitted for the practical duties of life, and qualified to be ornaments to any society in which they may move.

SPECIAL COMMUNICATION OF GRAND LODGE.

We deeply regret to learn that some of the Lodges in Quebec have formally organized themselves into a Grand Lodge for that Province, upon what principles of masonic jurisprudence it is exceedingly difficult to determine. The M. W. the Grand Master has wisely, as the following circular shows, called a special communication of Grand Lodge to take the question into consideration. We avoid any comment on the subject at this time, being anxious not to prejudge the action of our Quebec brethren. We trust the result of the meeting will be to restore harmony to the Craft; and that the fullest opportunity will be afforded at it for the fair and frank discussion of the matters at issue. The following is the circular issued by order of the Grand Master:

GRAND LODGE C^m CANADA,

Grand Secretary's Office,

Hamilton, 10th November, 1869.

DEAR SIR AND W. BROTHER,—By direction of the M. W. Grand Master, I am to inform you that a Special Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada will be held in the Masonic Hall, corner of Place d'Armes and Notre Dame Street, Montreal, P. Q., on Wednesday, the 1st day of December next, at the hour of High Twelve, for the purpose of adopting such measures as may be deemed necessary, in view of the recent rebellion and secession of certain Lodges and Brethren within the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, and for the transaction of all business that may arise in connection with this matter. I am to urge upon your Lodge, as also upon the officers of Grand Lodge, in view of the very great interest to the Craft of any decision to be arrived at, the importance of the meeting, and the desirability of a full representation of the several Lodges.

In the event of the Lodge having held its regular meeting for the present month, you are requested to convene an Emergency Meeting immediately on the receipt of this circular, with the object of laying this important subject before it; and should circumstances prevent the attendance at Grand Lodge of the regularly qualified officers, the Lodge is requested to avail itself of the provisions of the Constitution, Art. 8, by appointing some qualified Brother to represent it.

Arrangements similar to those made for the July meeting have been secured with