

The 15th Batt. band then played "Old Hundred."

The Acting Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. Rev. Dr. Clarke, offered up the following prayer:—

"O, Thou Great Architect of the Universe, Maker and Ruler of all things, visible and invisible, vouchsafe from thy Heavenly Temple to help us in all the purposes of our present assembly; and grant unto us, at this and at all times, wisdom in all our doings, strength of mind in all our difficulties, and the beauty of harmony in all our communications, to the end that we may set forth thy glory, illustrate eternal truth in all our works; and exhibit in our own lives rectitude of aim, humility of deportment, and purity of character. Permit us, O, Thou Author of life and light, great and only source of love and happiness, to erect this our earthly temple to thine honor, to the public good, and to the salvation of those who may worship Thee therein, so that hereafter this edifice may subserve the sacred use for which it is intended. Grant this, Father of all, for the sake of thy Great name. Glory be to God on high."

The Acting Grand Secretary, W. Bro. W. L. Hamilton, read the following scroll:—

By the favor of Almighty God, on the 4th day of October, A. D. 1881, A. L. 5881,

And in the 45th year of the reign of our beloved sovereign,
Queen Victoria,

By the Grace of God Queen of Great Britain and Ireland,
Empress of India, Defender of the Faith.

His Excellency John Douglas Sutherland Campbell, K. T.,
G. C. M. G., P. C., Marquis of Lorne, Governor-
General of Canada.