

Mackay, they will not add the letter of the Grand Secretary of South Carolina to it in explanation of the changed circumstances:

NEW MASONIC TEMPLE.—JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND LODGE OF ALABAMA.—GRAND SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

Montgomery, Ala., July 6, 1880.

To J. B. TRAYES, Esq.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—Yours of June 29th just at hand.

We do not know anything of the Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Fraternally Yours,
DANIEL SAYRE,
Grand Secretary.

OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY OF GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Washington, D. C., July 5th, 1880.

J. B. TRAYES, Esq.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—Your circular of June 29th is received.

The Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia does not know officially, that there is such a body as the "Grand Lodge of Ontario;" nor would this Grand Lodge acknowledge the legitimacy of any other Grand Lodge in Ontario than that which has existed since the formation of the "Grand Lodge of Canada."

If any visitors from Lodges under the obedience of the Grand Lodge of Ontario have been admitted to our Lodges here, it has been through ignorance of their status.

We had hoped that the brethren who started the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario, had abandoned their enterprise, and that your Jurisdiction was at peace once more.

Very respectfully, and
Fraternally Yours,
W. R. SINGLETON,
Grand Sec'y.

GRAND LODGE OF PENNSYLVANIA, A. F. & A. M. OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY, MASONIC TEMPLE.

Philadelphia, July 8, 1880.

J. B. TRAYES, Esq.

SIR & BRO.—In reply to your circular of June 29th, I will state that in September, 1876, Robert Clark, R. W. Grand Master, issued an edict forbidding all intercourse or Masonic communication with the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario.

Yours Fraternally,
JOHN THOMSON,
Grand Secretary.

OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY OF THE GRAND LODGE OF KANSAS, A. F. & A. M.

Wyandotte, July 2nd, 1880.

DEAR SIR AND BRO.—I am just in receipt of your circular under date of the 29th ult., and in compliance with your request, hasten to give you the desired information.

The Grand Lodge of Kansas took a very strong and most decided stand in regard to the irregularity of the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario; see pp 80 to 83, of our proceedings for 1876. We look upon the concern as a spurious and clandestine body, unworthy of our recognition as a Masonic body.

Persons hailing from Lodges working under Charters from the Grand Lodge of Ontario would not be knowingly admitted by any of our Lodges; we are exceedingly cautious. It was only a short time since that one of our Lodges wrote me for information and instruction. It seems that a Canadian Mason was refused the right of visitation, the members of the Lodges not being sufficiently posted as to the status of Ontario affairs in your Province. You may rely upon Kansas being loyal and strongly opposed to spurious Masonry.

Yours, &c.,
JOHN H. BROWN,
Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OF MINNESOTA, A. F. & A. M. OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY.

St. Paul, July 4th, 1880.

J. B. TRAYES.

DEAR SIR & BRO.—Yours of the 29th ult. received. In reply, the Grand Lodge of Minnesota is in fraternal relations with the Grand Lodge of Canada, and it regards the attempt to establish a Grand Lodge within its jurisdiction as an act of rebellion, which places the actors and supporters without the pale of Masonic courtesies.

The adherents of the so-called Grand Lodge of Ontario will not be received as visitors in any of the Lodges under the Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Minnesota.

Fraternally, &c.,
A. T. C. PIERSON,
Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OF FREE & ACCEPTED MASONS, STATE OF TENNESSEE, U. S.—OFFICE OF THE GRAND SECRETARY.

Nashville, Tenn., July 5, 1880.

MY DEAR SIR & BRO.—At the Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of Tennessee, November, 1876, the M. W. Grand Master used this language as to the Grand Lodge of Ontario:—

"Your attention will doubtless be called, by our R. W. Grand Secretary, to an application for recognition of the so-