

**The Expelled Mason, Burt, in Canada.**

To the Editor of the CRAFTSMAN.

DEAR SIR AND R. W. BRO.—My attention has been drawn to the following editorial in the journal of the American Legion of Honor for March, and when we consider that this man, Calvin C. Burt, has been exposed time and again by every Masonic journal in the United States and Canada, it seems almost incredible that any Brethren could be imposed upon by one who years ago was expelled by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, and only re-instated through a technical error, and who subsequently was expelled by his own Lodge in Michigan, and on appealing from the decision of his own Lodge, to that of his Grand Lodge, was *unanimously expelled in January last by the Grand Lodge of Michigan, from all the rights, titles, and privileges of Freemasonry.* I repeat, it appears inexplicable that any intelligent Brethren in Canada could have been so imposed upon as the following proves:—

A VISIT TO CANADA.

Our Supreme Commander recently made a visit to London, Ont., Canada, where he was received with royal honors. On his arrival he was met at the depot by a delegation from the Masonic Fraternity, and conducted to the Tecumseh House, one of the best hotels in Canada, which had been assigned him as headquarters.

After supper he was escorted to one of their large fraternity halls, where it had been arranged for him to hold a Masonic reception. Here he had the honor to shake the hand of many of the most distinguished Masons of Ontario, some of whom he later made 90° Masons of the Egyptian Masonic Rite of Memphis, and constituted a Rose Croix Chapter, to be known as Jesse Chapter, No. 301, with about 40 charter members, and the following officers: W. D. McGloghlon, M. W.; Ambrose B. Powell, S. W.; B. W. Greer, J. W.; A. B. Graer, O.; Rev. J. T. Wright, P.; L. G. Jarvis, C.; John W. Priestly, T.; Jos. S. Site A. or S.; Peter Grant, C. of G.; Geo. Cottrell, G. of T.; John Bryer, Org.; Peter Thursly, S.

He also conferred upon some of them the distinguished title of C. L. H., and instituted a council of the American Legion of Honor, to be known as Royal Council, No. 97, with the following officers: Dr. Oronyateka, C.; Dr. Street, V. C.; W. Hawthorn, O.; W. D. McGloghlon, P. C.; L. Jarvis, Sec.; Geo. McFroom, Coll.; G. Parish, T.; C. S. Colwell, G.; Thos. Peel, W.; M. D. Dawson, Sen.

When not engaged in his official capacities, he made visits to, and was visited by, the elite of the city. Banquets, suppers and receptions were gotten up by the

citizens regardless of expense. This gave him an opportunity to see something of the best society of Canada (we mean the ladies of course). The ladies in Canada are peculiar, that is, peculiarly beautiful and young. They retain their youth and beauty wonderfully. There appears to be no old women in Canada. At least, none were visible to our S. C., and he flatters himself that he saw about everthing, that is everything worth seeing. During his entire visit he was treated with great kindness and respect by all, and had showered upon him such honors as only the representatives of one great and good nation can confer upon a citizen of another. In return for all this, Canada, Great Britain, and her citizens will ever be most kindly rembered by our Supreme Commander.

This editorial, evidently written by himself, must prove most gratifying to all Canadian Masons, since this self-appointed Supreme Commander, who is expelled from Craft Masonry, actually intends "in return for the cordial reception given him, to ever remember Canada, Great Britain, and all her citizens." This, however, is not to the point. What I desire to call the attention of your readers to is this: that the notorious expelled Mason, Calvin C. Burt, has imposed upon a number of honest Brethren in London, Ont., and granted them a bogus Charter, that cannot be recognized anywhere on the face of the earth, for two reasons:—

1st. The Ancient and Primitive Rite of 33°, the Oriental Rite of Misraim of 90°, and the Egyptian Rite of Memphis of 96°, are duly under the control and jurisdiction of the Sovereign Sanctuary of Canada, established 1878, and consequently no foreign authority can possibly, according to the American Doctrine of Exclusive Grand Sovereignty, establish without its consent any Rose Croix Chapter, or any other body of any of these Rites within its jurisdiction. Ill. Bro. Geo. C. Longley, 33°, of Prescott, Ont., Supreme Grand Master, being the only Brother within the Dominion who could lawfully grant dispensations for the same.

2nd. Calvin C. Burt being expelled from Ancient Craft Masonry, is consequently expelled from all the grades of the Rites of Misraim and Memphis, together with those of the Ancient and Primitive Rite, and consequently possesses neither the power nor authority to confer any such degrees either in Canada or elsewhere.

Regretting our Brethren in London have thus been swindled out of their money by so notorious a Masonic adventurer as the expelled Mason, Calvin C. Burt,

I am, Sir & R. W. Bro.,

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