

The acting Treasurer then put the glass vase in the stone, containing the following documents and coins:

1—Parchment inscription; 2—List of officers of the Grand Lodge of Canada, and Proceedings of 1867; 3—List of officers of Masonic Lodges, Royal Arch Chapter, and Encampment in St. Catharines; 4—List of the Clergy of the Diocese of Toronto, and Proceedings of Synod for 1868; 5—Names of Rector, Churchwardens, Superintendent of Sunday School, and Scholars; 6—List of Municipal Officers and Common School Trustees of Port Dalhousie Village; 7—Names of subscribers to Illuminated Window; 8—Coins, 1, 5, 10 and 20 cent pieces (Canadian), and a very rare ancient Mexican coin, presented by Bro. R. Wood. Copies of *Constitutional*, *Globe*, *Leader*, *Journal* and *Times*. The name of the donor of the valuable site of the Church, N. H. Pawling, Esq., of Louth, was also inserted.

The acting Grand Superintendent of Works next placed a brass plate over the orifice, on which was engraved this inscription: "St. John's Church, Port Dalhousie; Foundation Stone laid with Masonic Ceremonies, June 24th, A. D. 1868."

J. P. Boomer, Esq., Churchwarden, for the ladies of the congregation, here presented a beautiful silver Trowel to the acting G. M., requesting him to accept the implement as a gift from them, and to lay the stone according to ancient Masonic usage. It is thus inscribed:

"Presented to JAMES SEYMOUR, Esq., D. D. G. M., H. D., of the Grand Lodge of Freemasons of Canada, by the Ladies, at the laying of the Foundation Stone of St. John's Church, Port Dalhousie, Ontario, 24th June, A. D. 1868, A. L. 5868."

After receiving the Trowel, and also a handsome Gavel made for the occasion, the A. G. M., standing in the east, having on his right hand the Acting D. G. M., and the acting Grand Wardens on his left, assisted by the Contractor, spread the cement, and the upper stone was lowered by three regular stops, after which the acting Grand Junior Warden applied the plumb, the acting Grand Senior Warden the level, and the Acting Deputy Grand Master the square.

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