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SUPREME COUNCIL.

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On motion made by Ill.: Bro.: J. V. ELLIS, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: WM. H. HUTTON, the address of the Sov.: Grand Commander was referred to a special committee.

The Sov.: Gr.: Commander appointed the following committee:—Ills.: Bros.: J. V. ELLIS, W. H. HUTTON and W. B. SIMPSON.

REPORTS OF PROVINCIAL DEPUTIES.

The following Reports of Provincial Deputies were then read:—

PROVINCE OF ONTARIO,

HAMILTON, October 12th, 1880.

*To the Supreme Council, 33°.*

ILL.: BRETHREN:—

I have much pleasure in presenting the following report of the condition of the Rite in the Province of Ontario:

I have visited all the Bodies in my Jurisdiction and have found harmony prevailing, increased zeal and improved work.

I refrain from offering any excuses for the non-extension of the Rite by the establishment of new Bodies in this Province, other than want of time, as I could have placed the Rite in several cities with the most favorable prospects of success had my business permitted my leaving home for that purpose; the office of Secretary-General taking up all my spare moments. With reference to the application made by Manitoba brethren, and which was acceded to by the Council last session, and left in the hands of the Grand Commander and myself to see carried out, I have to report: That as soon as possible, and after consultation with the Brethren in that Province, and the Sov.: Gr.: Commander, I went to Winnipeg, a distance of 1,400 miles, and successfully conferred the Degrees upon the requisite number and opened a Lodge of Perfection and a Chapter of Rose Croix, placing them in the hands of the first members of the Craft in that Province. And I have further to report that since my return I am informed that the Brethren there have secured and occupy a separate suite of apartments and have furnished them in a complete and luxurious manner, and have already conferred the Degrees of Perfection in extenso. The present Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Manitoba, as also the P.: Gr.: Master and several of the officers of Grand Lodge are among the charter members, and with abundant material I