MORNING SESSION.

Thursday, August 17th, 1877.

Grand Lodge re-assembled pursuant to adjournment, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Minutes of last session read and approved.

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Representative H. A. Taylor, G. Treas., from the Committee on Legislation, presented the Report of the Committee on the subject of incorporation of the Grand Lodge, and on the amendment to the Constitution of Subordinate Lodges, offered by Representative W. C. DesBrisay (page 91), as follows, which on being read clause by clause was adopted:—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION.

To the R. W. Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the Lower Provinces of B. N. A.:

Your Committee are of opinion that the incorporation of this Grand Lodge would be of essential benefit to our Order, and recommend that a Committee be appointed at this session to inquire as to the probable expense of a Dominion Act of Incorporation, and be prepared to report at next annual session; also, that the Grand Secretary communicate with Subordinate Lodges as to the probability of their becoming incorporated under such Act, if obtained.

Your Committee would further report that however anxious they may be to obviate trouble in our Subordinate Lodges, in regard to members over six months in arrears, yet they deem it inexpedient at the present time to recommend any change in Section 1 of Article VIII. of the Constitution, as proposed by our Brother Representative DesBrisay.

H. A. TAYLOR, H. McKELVIE, W. A. MOORE.

On motion, the report of the Finance Committee (page 91), was taken up.

Representative John Pringle, G. Con., moved that the Report be adopted as a whole.