

occasion of an Annual Session of this body. It is indeed a delightful privilege thus to come together from various and distant portions of Canada East, to meet each other in Love, Purity, and Fidelity. And it has become my agreeable duty to present for your consideration a Semi-Annual Report, of the state of the Order in Canada East. I am happy in being able to say that our noble Order in Canada East is in an increasing state of progress; and I understand is still more so in every Province and State around us, wherever its pure and spotless banner has been unfurled. What reason then of gratitude and future and increased obligation to offer the grateful homage of our hearts to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, who has so mercifully dealt with us, and to supplicate for a continuance of His great goodness. The increase of Subordinate Divisions and Members, and the general prosperity of our Order since your last Annual Meeting, afford gratifying evidence that the Lord is with us. I am happy to state that I had the pleasure to place my signature to two Charters for two new Divisions, and had the pleasure to organize one of these in person, viz., Balaklava Division, No. 30, in Leeds, County Megantic. The other hails from Clarendon; and I am also happy to state the reestablishing of Chatham Division, and still have hopes of ere long the rising to life of Point Levi Division. I, like my predecessor, have to complain of the negligence of some of the D.G.W.P.'s in not making out their Official Quarterly Reports, for the information and guidance of the G.W.P. Those in default are the D.G.W.P.'s of Ormstown, Aylmer, St. Andrews, Lancaster, Lochabar, Clarenceville, and Point Fortune, which certainly shows great laxity of interest towards the Subordinate Divisions under their respective care. I trust a word to the wise is sufficient. I therefore call their particular attention to Art. 3, Sec. 3, page 75, By-Laws of Grand Division. The D.G.W.P.'s of Montreal, Portage du Fort, Huntingdon, Lachute, Lacolle, St. Johns, Point a Cavagnol, and Bristol, have attended to their duty in this matter, and have sent to me favourable and encouraging reports of the respective subordinate Divisions under their charge; the only complaint being the working of the new Ritual. The D.G.W.P.'s. of the