

on the books of this Bank this day amounts to the sum of Five Hundred and Three Dollars and Seventy Cts. (\$503.70.)

Hamilton, 15th October, 1889.

W. G. STEVEN, Cashier.

SIXTH ANNUAL ASSEMBLY, MONTREAL, 1889.

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Moved by R. E. Sir Knight James A. Henderson, G. C. T., seconded by V. E. Sir Knight Samuel Wesley, and

RESOLVED, That the Annual Statement of the Grand Treasurer be received, and referred to the Grand Council, with instructions to examine and audit the same, and report to Great Priory during the present session.

R. E. Sir Knight James A. Henderson, G. C. T., submitted the

REPORT

OF THE GRAND COUNCIL ON THE ALLOCATION OF THE SUPREME GRAND MASTER.

FRATRES,—The Allocation referred to the Grand Council cannot fail to be of lasting interest. Year by year more light has been thrown by the Supreme Grand Master on the origin, aims and working of the Order. As it is of the greatest importance that the Fratres should have a proper conception of the system and its attendant ceremonies, every research made in these directions must impress the Frater not only with the necessity but with the benefits which arise from Modern Templary—an Order founded largely on traditions, which, with some, are readily accepted, while by others absolute proofs are required to satisfy their enquiries. The Council trust that with the aid of the Supreme Grand Master's investigations, the doubtful points may be cleared up and the Fratres "landed on a truthful shore."

The Council fully agree that the military display connected with the Order is no part of the present system which originated during the last century, and which is characterized by its unobtrusive and quiet dignity. But as the Statutes of the Order recognize an outdoor parade, the policy and utility of such can hardly at this date be questioned.

The Sovereign Great Priory is on terms of amity with all the Templar Bodies except the Great Priory of England and Wales; and it is much to be regretted that the amicable relations so long had with that Body should have ceased to exist. We hope that steps may be taken by the Supreme Grand Master, under whose governance the difficulties arose, to renew those feelings of amity which up to a late date existed, as the Allocation states that those difficulties arose from a misapprehension of the jurisdiction of the Supreme Grand Master, it is considered that, without compromising the dignity of