

M. H. Seymour, Queen's Lodge No. 2; P.G. Willima Hardie, Prince Albert No. 3; P.G. Wm. Hilton, Albion No. 4.

The Secretary was ordered to sign visiting cards, and distribute them among the several Lodges, charging nine pence for each card: he was also directed to order two hundred and fifty visiting, and one hundred clearance cards from the Supreme Grand Lodge.

The Committee on Elections reported, that they had found the certificates of P. G.'s Fraser, Seymour, W. Hardie, and Hilton correct. Report accepted.

The Quarterly Reports of the Prince of Wales Lodge No. 1, of the Queens No. 2, of the Prince Albert No. 3, and of the Albion No. 4, were received and referred to the Committee on Elections.

P. G.'s Fraser, Seymour, and W. Hardie, were instructed in the Side and G. L. degrees, and took their seats as members of the G. L.

A communication from the Commercial Lodge was read and fyled: it appointed P. G. Wm. Rodden and P. G. Wm. A Selden to be the representatives of that Lodge in the G. L. The above named brethren then took their seats.

The Committee appointed to consider of the best means of procuring a new Lodge Room submitted a plan. It was ordered to lie over till the next meeting.

MONTREAL, February 6, 1846.

The G. L. met this evening, pursuant to adjournment.

The Committee on Elections and Returns, to whom the quarterly reports of the subordinate Lodges were referred, made the following Report, viz.:-

They had examined the reports of the Prince of Wales Lodge, No. 1, and had found it to be correctly drawn up with the exception that the amounts in the cash accounts were not carried out in currency; and that under the head of elections, the proper names of the parties ballotted for were omitted. The same remarks applied to the Report of No. 2. The Reports of No. 3 and No. 4, were correct in every particular. They, accordingly, recommended that the two reports which were correctly drawn should be received, and that the other two should be referred to the sitting Past Grands, for amendment.

It was moved by R. W. G. S. Selden:—That the report of the Committee be received.

It was moved, in amendment, that the Reports of the subordinate Lodges, and that of the Committee be referred to the Supreme G. L.—Lost.

Moved, in amendment, by G. M. Hardie:—That the said Reports do lie on the table.—Lost.

Moved by R. W. G. M. Rodden, seconded by R. W. G. Gilbert:—That the Reports of Lodges, No. 1 and 2, be referred to their sitting P. G.'s.—Carried.

The Committee appointed to consider the best means for procuring a New Lodge Room, reported progress. A motion to discharge this Committee, was lost.

G. W. Hardie resigned his office on the Committee of Elections and Returns.

P. G. Seymour was appointed to the vacancy.

It was moved that the Committee be authorised to treat with Mr. Bourne or Mr. Stephens, for the purchase of premises, for a Lodge Room.

MONTREAL, February 11, 1845.

The G. L. met this evening pursuant to adjournment. The Committee on correspondence reported as follows:—

We, the undersigned, to whom was referred the communication from the Commercial Lodge No. 5, submitting the Bye-Laws of that Lodge, to the approval of the G. L., beg leave to recommend, that the said communication be received, and fyled, and that final action be taken by the G. L. upon the subject of the said Bye-

Law, as soon as the Committee to whom they have been referred, shall have reported thereon.

(Signed,)

G. MATTHEWS,
T. HARDIE,
W. LIPEDELL.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The same Committee farther reported upon the communication from the Prince of Wales Lodge No. 1, complaining of the non-attendance of qualified officers to confer degrees, and requesting the G. L. to interfere to prevent a recurrence of the same difficulty, that the G. L. could not interfere in the manner desired, owing to the circumstance that no Degree Lodge existed, but they recommended, that each Lodge should be reminded that it possessed the power within itself of repressing this misconduct on the part of its officers, and that it might exercise it either by way of fine, or by the removal of the officers complained of.

The report was received, and the recommendation adopted.

The same Committee further reported upon the communication from the Prince of Wales Lodge, by which the G. L. was informed of the vote by the said Prince of Wales Lodge, of a subscription for 100 copies of the address of the D.D.G.M. Albert Case, delivered before the I. O. of O. F. The Committee recommended that the said communication be fyled, and that the 100 copies of the address should be furnished, accompanied by the account. The Report was received and the recommendation adopted.

The Committee further reported upon a communication from the Albion Lodge No. 4, relative to the rejection of several individuals proposed for election to that Lodge, and to the suspension of one of the brethren belonging thereto. The Committee recommended that the said communication be placed on the fyle; and that a book should be kept in which the names of all persons who had been, or who should be, thereafter, rejected, suspended, or expelled, should be entered. The report was received; and it was ordered, on the motion of G. W. Hardie, seconded by G. S. Selden, that whenever an individual ballotted for in any subordinate Lodge should be rejected, it should become the duty of the Secretary of that Lodge, to notify this occurrence to this G. L. without note or comment; and that thereupon it shall become the duty of the Grand Secretary to notify the fact to all the other subordinate Lodges. The same action to be taken in all cases of suspension or expulsion.

The Committee for the Supervision of the Bye-Laws reported, that they had examined those proposed to be adopted by the Prince of Wales Lodge No. 1, and that they had found nothing unconstitutional in them; but that some of the articles were badly arranged, and they accordingly recommended that the Bye-Laws be handed back to the sitting representative of that Lodge for the purpose of pointing out to him the want of order existing in the present form.

The same Committee reported upon the Bye-Laws of the Commercial Lodge No. 5, that one of the clauses in the 3rd section of the 5th article, was wholly at variance with the 7th section of the 8th article of the G. L., as well as with the 15th resolution of the R.W.G.L. The Committee therefore recommended that the said Bye-Laws be returned to the Commercial Lodge No. 5, through the Grand Secretary, with instructions to expunge the following words from the 3rd section of the 5th article, "except by recommendation of the Committee, and passed by a vote of the Lodge."

It was moved by P. G. Seymour, seconded by G. Mars. Rodden, that the Bye-Laws of the Commercial Lodge, No. 5, be referred back to the said Lodge for revision, in accordance with the recommendation of the Committee on Bye-Laws of this G. L., and that they be finally returned to the Lodge, after they have been properly corrected and approved of by the Com-