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SUPREME COUNCIL.

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Ill.: Bro.: W. H. HUTTON, Deputy for the Province of Quebec, having nominated Ill.: Bro.: SIMPSON at the Last Annual Session, the vote was taken and the Ill.: Bro.: SIMPSON declared to be duly elected.

Ill.: Bro.: WILLIAM REID, Grand Captain of the Guard, presented his credentials from the Supreme Council of Colon as their Representative near this Council, and was received and welcomed.

A courteous and fraternal letter from Ill.: Bro.: F. RAMUZ, our Representative near the Supreme Council of Switzerland, was read, announcing the receipt of his credentials from this Supreme Council, and expressing his satisfaction thereat.

A letter from the Supreme Council of Egypt was read, requesting the exchange of Representatives, etc., and was ordered to be held over, to be presented at the next Annual Session in October.

A circular from the Supreme Council of Italy was presented, and ordered to be transmitted to the Grand Chancellor for his Committee on Foreign Correspondence to report upon.

The Sovereign Grand Commander gave notice that he would at the next Session move that the Supreme Council of Egypt be recognized. He also announced that the subject of simplifying the titles of the degrees and officers of certain Bodies of the Rite would be considered at the next Annual Session.

Ill.: Bro.: BRENTON D. BABCOCK, 33° of the Northern Jurisdiction, U. S. A., was announced, received and heartily welcomed.

Ill.: Bro.: WILLIAM BENJAMIN SIMPSON, 32° being in waiting was then introduced and had conferred upon him, in full, the 33rd or last degree, and was duly invested and