

knowing as we do that their action in thus using an emblem the very name of which is significant of our Order, is absolutely unnecessary; and

WHEREAS, Such conduct on their part is only calculated to mislead, and has already caused unnecessary confusion; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That this Grand Commandery protests against the action of other secret orders and religious societies in thus unnecessarily appropriating our time-honored significant emblem.

2. That our Grand Commander take such action as may be necessary to memorialize the Grand Encampment on this subject, with the view of bringing about a moral influence that will stop other orders and societies from misleading the public by the use of our emblem.

3. That our Grand Master correspond with our sister Jurisdictions on this subject, and send them a copy of these resolutions.

In his review of Canada for 1896, the Grand Recorder has the following:—

Tactics, drill and uniform seem to be topics upon which the Canadian Templar is not enthusiastic, and the Grand Master recommends with some apparent hesitation, that a Manual of Sword Exercise, etc., be adopted, based upon the Canadian militia drill. He says that "in many particulars the American and Canadian differs." The Canadian "is a quiet, modest fellow as a rule," who has not been brought up from childhood to take part in public processions. Nevertheless, he perceives a feeling gaining strength among the younger men, and to some extent even with the older members, that a uniform must be a part of Templar Masonry in Canada. In this he can see no harm, provided the "neat and not expensive" uniform heretofore adopted by Great Priory be remodeled to make it distinctively Canadian.

Commanderies, 16; members, 1091; increase, 1.
William J. Ely, (Clarksville,) G. C.
Wilbur F. Foster, (Nashville,) G. R.

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Forty-fourth Conclave, Houston, April 21, 1897,
J. F. Brinkerhoff, G. C.

Nearly all the Commanderies are in a prosperous condition.

The state is in mourning for their beloved Grand Recorder, Robert Brewster, who died in Houston, on the 25th of July, 1896. He was elected Grand Recorder

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