

But in 1821 it fell into proper hands. R. W. Bro. Robert Kerr, when the Provincial Grand Lodge was reorganized in 1822 by Bro. Simon McGillivray, obtained possession of the warrant and other papers and shipped them to Bro. McGillivray at York. This was in 1822. He, however, had left York for England, and the parcel sent to Bro. John Dean at Bath, eighteen miles from Kingston. He held them until the close of the second Provincial Grand Lodge in 1830, and, as there was then no Provincial body, they were given to the care of the old brother in whose former home I found them. So they had been there in the attic room for seventy years."

"You must have felt gratified by the result of your drive?"

"Gratified! I should say so. When I drove after midnight into Toronto I stopped at Bro. George J. Bennett's house, on Meibourne avenue, and wakened him out of a sound sleep and then I showed him my find."

"What did he say?"

"Don't ask me—what did he not say?"

"Now you know how I have hunted for Masonic manuscripts."

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