

*Resolved*,—That the Report of the Special Committee on replies to addresses of welcome be received and adopted.

“BRITISH ASCENDANCY.”

Moved by R. W. Bro. E. F. Clarke, Grand Treasurer, seconded by R. W. Bro. Henry Perkins, J. D. G. M., and

*Resolved*,—That the members of this R. W. Provincial Grand Orange Lodge of Ontario West, in annual session assembled, desire to renew their pledges of fealty and attachment to the Empire, especially at this time when the enemies of civil and religious liberty are so active, and are resorting to such dastardly means for the destruction of life and property. The Orangemen of Ontario West cordially recognise and approve of the patriotic spirit which has prompted their fellow-subjects in this and other colonies to rally to the support of the Empire by volunteering for duty with Her Majesty's forces now on active service; and they fervently hope and pray that the outcome of the present Imperial complications will result in establishing, strengthening and preserving the Empire, and in maintaining untarnished the honor of that flag which has braved a thousand years the battle and the breeze.

INSURANCE ACT.

Moved by W. Bro. Dr. Oronhyatekha, Past District Master, seconded by R. W. Bro. E. F. Clarke, Grand Treasurer, and

*Resolved*,—That the Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to at once prepare a form of petition to the House of Commons in favour of the passage of the Bill amending the Insurance Act of, and introduced by Sir Leonard Tilley, legalizing the various Fraternal Benefit Societies giving out Insurance Benefits, and have the same sent forthwith to all our Lodges, with a request that as many signatures be obtained as may be possible within a week, and the same forwarded to the members of Parliament representing the various Ridings in this jurisdiction for presentation to the House.

Moved by W. Bro. James Brodie, District Master, Artemesia, seconded by M. W. Bro. W. J. Parkhill, G. M. B. A., and

*Resolved*,—That Bro. E. F. Clarke be reappointed printer to this R. W. Grand Lodge.

Moved by R. W. Bro. W. W. Fitzgerald, D. G. M., seconded by W. Bro. Ed. Medcalf, W. M. L. O. L. 301, and

*Resolved*,—That W. Bros. John Lenfesty and John H. Guest, P. M. 375, Toronto, be appointed Auditors to audit the Grand Treasurer's books previous to the next meeting of this Grand Lodge, in pursuance of the Report of the Finance Committee.

Moved by W. Bro. John E. Doran, W. M. L. O. L. 621, seconded by W. Bro. John McCaffrey, W. M. L. O. L. 173, and

*Resolved*,—That this R. W. Grand Lodge be now raised to the illustrious Degree of Royal Scarlet.

The Companions were then tested in the illustrious Degree by Companions Sir Arthur Robb, G. D. of C., and Sir John H. Guest, P. M. L. O. L. 375.

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