guilliers ni M. Lefebvre puissent repeter pour raison de la contestation qu'ils ont eu ensemble au sujet dudit ouvrage, aucune somme de part et d'autre de laquelle contestation nous avons compensé tous les dépens. Mandons, etc.

Fait à Montréal, le 18 juillet 1730.

G. HOCQUART,

## THE FOUNDING OF THE GENERAL HOSPITAL.

According to a parchment contained in a crystal tube, hermetically sealed, in the foundation stone of the Montreal General Hospital, there were three Masonic Lodges held in this city in 1821, namely, Nos. 8, 12, and 20, in the registry of the Province of Lower Canada. The following is a copy of the writing contained in the parchment:

At Montreal, in the Province of Lower Canada, in the year of Our Lord Christ, 1821, and of Masonry 5821,—being the second year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the 4th, of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith; His Royal Highness, Prince Augustus Frederick, Duke of Sussex, Most Worshipful Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of England, and the Right Hon. George, Earl of Dalhousie, Governor General of British North America.

This chief corner stone of the Montreal Hospital was laid in due form by the Right Worshipful Sir John Johnston, Baronet, Past Provincial Grand Master of Canada, deputed by and acting as substitute for the Right Worshipful and Hon. Claude Denechaud, present Provincial Grand Master, under authority of the Grand Lodge aforesaid, attended and assisted by the officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge, and the Masters, Wardens, and brethren of the three Lodges held in this city, being Nos. 8, 12, and 20 in the Register of the said Province, and in the presence of several visiting brethren of distinction in Free Masonry.

Coins deposited under the stone:

A half-Crown of George 4th.

A Guinea, Sovereign, a Half-Sovereign, a 3rd of a Guinea, two shillings, a sixpence, a farthing, of George Third.

A shilling of Ann.

An Irish half-penny of William and Mary.

A half penny of James 2nd.