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Ours it is to seek to emulate his virtues and thus exhibit our appreciation of a distinguished brother's efforts to benefit our beloved Order.

To his bereaved family we extend our warmest sympathy and give them our assurance that we share their sorrow in common with our brethren everywhere.

Your Committee offer the following:

Resolved,—That it is with deep sorrow and regret that this Grand Lodge records the death of Past Supreme Chancellor John Van Valkenburg, who was stricken down in the noondayof his life and a prosperous career in his profession, and that we mourn his loss as a man and a brother in the strongest sense which these words imply, and in whose death the Order at large has lost a faithful laborer in the broad field of Friendship, Charity and Benevolence.

Respectfully submitted,

D. J. PEACE, G.M. of E. JOHN S. KING, of No. 25. ED. W. PYKE, of No. 6.

Grand Master of Exchequer Peace offered the following resolution, which was adopted:--

Resolved,—That memorial pages be set apart in the Journal of Proceedings to the memory of deceased brothers reported upon at this Session.

Representative Paul, of No. 17, moved to take from the table Report No. 2 of the Special Committee on Organizer, which was agreed to.

After a very long debate, Representative Jorgenson, of No. 25, moved to amend the Report by striking out the words "and time," which gave rise to further discussion, but was finally lost on a division by a vote of 7 for, and 20 against, the amendment.

The Report of the Committee was then adopted.

The Grand Keeper of Records and Seal presented applications in proper form and accompanied by the necessary fee for charters from the following lodges:—

Prospect, No. 10, of London. Rathbone, No. 12, of St. Thomas. Olive, No. 14, of Bruce Mines.

which were referred to the Committee on State of the Order.