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they were introduced by the Ill.: Grand Marshall, and were duly received and welcomed.

The Secretary-General read a letter and a telegram from the Sovereign Grand Commander, explaining that indisposition was the cause of his absence, and containing good wishes for the harmony and prosperity of the Council,

Whereupon the following resolution was moved by Ill.. Bro.: Peters, seconded by Ill.: Bro.: Murray:

Resolved,—That the communication of the M. P. Sov. Grand Commander be received, and this Supreme Council records its deep regret at the absence of the Sov. Grand Commander from this session, and cordial sympathy with him in the illness which prevents his taking his accustomed place to preside over the deliberations of this Council.

And further resolved, That the members of this Council unite in the hope that in the good providence of God the Grand Commander will soon be restored to health.

Letters of excuse were read from Ill.: Bros.: J. K. KERR and ROBERT MARSHALL, and telegrams from Ill.: Bros.: CLINCH and CHISHOLM.

Letters from a large number of Illustrious members of the 33° of the Northern and Southern Jurisdiction, U.S.A., were read, acknowledging invitations to this session.

The following resolution, on motion of Ill.: Bro.: Peters, was adopted:

That, inasmuch as the Proceedings of the last session have been printed and distributed, the reading of the same be now dispensed with, and that they be confirmed.

The question of admitting members of the 32° to hear the Allocution of the Grand Commander, which was suggested at the last session, was then decided in the affirmative,