

Notice of motion No. 8, regarding the expenses of District Deputy Grand Masters is the same as the motion before Grand Lodge at the last annual communication, but which after some discussion was withdrawn; and it was also on the motion paper for the previous year, but was not brought forward for consideration. As we have already stated, we think that the District Deputy Grand Masters should not be expected to bear the expenses of their office; their duties, if properly discharged, require a good deal of their time, and if they give that, their travelling expenses in visiting Lodges in their respective districts should at all events be repaid. An annual allowance is made the Grand Master for his travelling and other expenses, and the travelling expenses of the Grand Secretary are allowed to him, in addition to his salary and other expenses, and we cannot see why the District Deputy Grand Masters should not be placed upon an equal footing. As, however, the expenses of these officers are incurred especially in promoting the interests of private lodges, a portion of these expenses at least should be paid by the lodges visited; and the proposition of V. W. Bro. Armstrong, that half the expenses be paid by Grand Lodge, and half by subordinate lodges, allowing an equal amount for each lodge, is just and reasonable. Lodges at a distance from the residence of the District Deputy will not then suffer from that fact, but *all* the lodges in the district will have an *equal* share of the expenses.

The motion of M. W. Bro. Kerr on re-distribution of districts, and their erection into provinces, will probably

give rise to an interesting discussion. The Committee on re-Distribution of Districts reported, at the last annual communication, that, from enquiries made, very few of the districts desired any change; they reported, however, that the Toronto District required subdivision.

The question of the expediency of organizing Provincial Grand Lodges is an interesting one, and should be well considered. An increased expenditure is one of the greatest objections to the erection of Provincial Grand Lodges.

Grand Chapter R. A. M. of Canada.

The annual meeting of Grand Chapter was held at Guelph, on the 15th inst., when the following were elected officers for the ensuing year:

Grand Z.—M. E. Comp. Daniel Spry, Toronto.

Grand H.—R. E. Comp. Donald Ross, Picton.

Grand J.—R. E. Comp. Judge Macpherson, Owen Sound.

Grand Treas.—R. E. Comp. E. Mitchell, Hamilton.

Grand S. E.—R. E. Comp. David McLellan, Hamilton.

Grand S. N.—R. E. Comp. John Fisher, Eglington.

Grand P. Soj.—R. E. Comp. William Brydon, Toronto.

Grand Reg.—R. E. Comp. John McLaren, Mt. Forest.

Grand Janitor.—R. E. Comp. W. W. Summers, Hamilton.

The following Companions were elected Grand Superintendents of Districts:—

London District.—R. E. Comp. Rev. Dr. Caulfield, Windsor.

Wilson District.—R. E. Comp. C. L. Beaver, Woodstock.

Wellington District.—R. E. Comp. H. K. Maitland, Guelph.

Hamilton District.—R. E. Comp. J. M. Meakins, Hamilton.

Huron District.—R. E. Comp. I. F. Toms, Goderich.

Meaford District.—R. E. Comp. George Walker, Beamsville.