MEMORANDUM.

At the fifty-second annual session of the Grand Orange Lodge of British America, held in the Town of Port Hope, Ontario, on the 7th, 8th, and 9th days of June, 1881, a resolution was passed appointing a Committee to revise and consolidate the Constitution and Laws of the Association. The Committee consisted of the following brethren: The M. W. the Grand Master, the Deputy Grand Master, the Provincial Grand Masters, and Bros. E. F. Clarke, R. Birmingham, J. B. McWilliams, and William Johnson.

At the fifty-third annual session of the Grand Orange Lodge of British America, held in the City of Sherbrooke, Quebec, on the 27th and 28th days of June, 1882, the Committee above named reported that, from a variety of causes, they had been unable to meet; but recommended that they be re-appointed, and that the Secretaries of the Grand Orange Lodge of British America and of the Provincial Grand Lodges of Ontario East and West be added to the Committee. The recommendation was

adopted.

At the fifty-fourth annual session of the Grand Orange Lodge of British America, held in the City of St. Catharines, Ontario, on the 5th, 6th, and 7th days of June, 1883, the Committee reported, and laid before the Grand Lodge printed sheets containing the Constitution and Laws as amended by them. The Grand Lodge, having considered the revised Constitution and Laws submitted by the Committee, adopted them with some amendments, and passed the following resolutions:

RESOLVED,—That the Constitution as amended be adopted, and referred back to the Special Committee for the purpose of consolidation, and that the Committee be authorized to make any changes consistent therewith in the blank forms to be appended to the Constitution, and that upon the labours of the Committee being completed and approved of by the Grand

Master, he shall promulgate the Constitution.

RESOLVED.—That the new Constitution shall come into force on the first day of October next, A. D. 1883.

THE LOYAL ORANGE ASSOCIATION OF BRITISH AMERICA.

OFFICE OF THE M. W. THE GRAND MASTER, MERRICEVILLE, Ontario, 1st October, 1883.

In compliance with the foregoing Resolutions of the Grand Lodge, and by virtue of the authority vested in me, I hereby promulgate this Constitution and these Laws of "The Loyal Orange Association of British America."

THOMAS KEYES, Grand Secretary.

HENBY MERRICK, Grand Master.

