

it may be necessary, or upon the request of the First Principals of twelve Chapters, seven clear days' notice being given of such intention. The reason for convening a Grand Chapter of Emergency shall be expressed in the summons, and no business other than that stated shall be entered upon at that Convocation.

8.—The representatives of nine Chapters, together with at least one of the Grand Principals, shall constitute a quorum at all Convocations, and the Grand Chapter is declared open in Ample Form when the Grand First Principal is present, and at all other times in Due Form, but with the same authority.

OFFICERS—HOW CHOSEN.

9.—The elective officers of this Grand Chapter shall be chosen at each Annual Convocation by ballot, and by a majority of all the votes present, except the Grand Janitor, who shall be elected by an open vote of Grand Chapter.

The following officers, viz :—The Grand Z., H. and J., the Scribes, Principal Sojourner, Treasurer and Registrar shall be nominated for election. If more than one Companion be nominated, the election shall be decided by ballot, but where there is only one nomination the Companion so nominated shall be declared duly elected. If three or more Companions are nominated for any office and there is no election the Companion receiving the lowest number of votes shall retire. The Grand First Principal shall appoint three Companions as scrutineers of the ballot.

10.—None but Past First Principals shall be eligible for any office in this Grand Chapter, except the office of Grand Janitor, which may be filled by any Royal Arch Companion.