

Our *Consistories*, *Rose Croix Chapters*, and *Lodges of Perfection* are in a satisfactory state, with the exception of the "*London*" *Rose Croix Chapter*, which I am sorry to say does not appear to be in a workable condition, and I had serious thoughts of suspending the Warrant, if not cancelling it altogether, with your concurrence.

You will be grieved to hear that Ill. Bro. PIKE, has been, to use his own words, "*seriously ill*," so much so as to quite preclude his attending the *Congress* at *Lausanne*, which he was most anxious to do. His absence there will be a material loss to that assemblage. He sent me a printed document, showing a difficulty with the "*Sup. Council of France*" on a matter of Jurisdiction at Honolulu, in the Sandwich Islands, which I lay before you. As far as the contents of the document reveal I agree with Ill. Bro. PIKE.

I have received documents conveying the sad intelligence of the *decease* of *distinguished and respected members* of the A. & A. Rite belonging to both Jurisdictions of the United States, and I was honored by a Fraternal Invitation to assist at a "*Lodge of Sorrow*" held at Philadelphia on the 29th March last, which my Public Duties prevented my accepting to my regret. I am sure that our United States Brethren have our earnest and heartfelt sympathy.

The only *unpleasant thing* I have to make known officially to the Council is the case of Brother LEBLANC, and sorry I am to have to allude thereto. He, as you are very likely aware, absconded from Montreal under discreditable circumstances, which were brought to my notice by a member of our Supreme Council, and were besides published in the newspapers. I had no alternative but to request the Secretary General to communicate with and warn the Chiefs of the A. and A. Rite in the United States and to report LEBLANC's suspension.

I have thus trespassed upon your time and patience, my Illustrious Brothers, for which I beg your indulgence, and as a conclusion I wish you all health and happiness, and to our Council continual increase of prosperity, and may the G. A. O. T. U. permit us all to meet together oftentimes and oftentimes ! so mote it be !



T. DOUGLAS HARINGTON, S. G. I. G. 33°

Sov. Gr. Com. &c., Dominion of Canada.

Montreal, Oct. 13th, 1875.

On motion of Ill. Bro. MURTON, seconded by Ill. Bro. MUNRO, it was resolved that the Gr. Commander's address be referred to a Committee to recommend what action shall be taken thereon.

The G. Com. then appointed Ill. Bros. ELLIS and HUTTON a Committee for that purpose.

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