

Freemasonry, but only to possess themselves of rights which are accorded to Symbolic Lodges in almost every part of the world. Nevertheless, their act cannot be regarded as anything less than an act of rebellion against legitimate authority. They have put themselves outside the pale of recognition by seeking to secure by rebellion what they should have striven to gain by lawful discussion, and by the action of the Grand Body to which their allegiance is due.

## ENGLAND.

Since the close of the sitting of this Supreme Council, the Supreme Council for England, Wales, &c., has informed this Council that, in answer to the application of the Supreme Council of Egypt for a recognition, it will offer no further objection to its recognition on its making formal application to the Supreme Council for Switzerland, the executive Power of the Councils forming the Lausanne Confederation.

The above answer having been received, all obstacles to the recognition of the Supreme Council of Egypt by this Council are now removed.

## IRELAND.

Letter from the Sov. Gr. Commander of the Sup. Co. for Ireland.

OFFICE OF THE GRAND CHANCELLOR,

30 UPPER FITZWILLIAM STREET,

DUBLIN, 5th December, 1879.

ILL. AND DEAR BROTHER,—

On the 17th November last, I informed the Council, at its regular meeting, that the S. C. for Canada had done me the honor of admitting me to be an Honorary Member of its Body.

The S. C. for Ireland, having duly congratulated me, requested me to state to the S. C. for Canada, through you, that the S. C. for Ireland regards the compliment paid to its Commander by your Council as a mark of good will to the entire Council for Ireland; and its members gladly avail themselves of this occasion to renew to the S. C. for Canada the warmest assurances of their friendship and fraternal good will.

Permit me to add the same on my own behalf.

I AM, ILL. AND DEAR BRO.,

Faithfully and fraternally yours,

J. F. TOWNSHEND,

JOHN W. MURTON, ESQ.,

Hamilton, Canada.

Sov. Gr. Com.

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