

SOVEREIGN GREAT PRIORY.

List of Officers Elected at the Knights Templars' Annual Assembly—Subsequent Appointments by The Grand Master.

At the Sixth Annual Assembly of the Sovereign Great Priory of Knights Templars, he'd in Montreal on the 22nd ult., the officers for the ensuing year were elected. Since then the Grand Master has added the names of those appointed to office by him. The complete list is as follows:—

M. E. Fra. Col. W. J. B. MacLeod Moore
Supreme Grand Master (*ad vitam*).

R. E. Fra. James Henderson, Q. C., LL. D.,
G. C. T., Kingston, Deputy Grand Master.

PROVINCIAL PRIORS.

R. E. Fra. Joseph Park, Windsor, London
District.

R. E. Fra. John Tunstead, Hamilton, Hamilton
District.

R. E. Fra. Samuel Wesley, Barrie, Toronto
District.

R. E. Fra. David Taylor, Ottawa, Kingston
District.

R. E. Fra. Edwin R. Johnson, B. C. L., Stan-
stead, Quebec District.

R. E. Fra. Samuel F. Matthews, St. John
New Brunswick District.

R. E. Fra. Clarence J. Spike, Halifax, Nova
Scotia District.

R. E. Fra. William G. Bell, Winnipeg, Mani-
toba District.

GRAND OFFICERS ELECTED.

R. E. Fra. Daniel Spry, G. C.; T. Barrie,
Grand Chancellor.

R. E. Fra. Rev. Frederick Bates, Chatham,
Grand Chaplain.

R. E. Fra. Robert L. Patterson, Toronto,
Grand Constable.

R. E. Fra. Frederick D. Butterfield, Derby-
shire Que, Grand Marshal.

R. E. Fra. David McLellan, Hamilton, Grand
Treasurer.

R. E. Fra. George J. Bennett, Toronto, Grand
Registrar.

APPOINTED BY THE GRAND MASTER.

V. E. Fra. Daniel Fraser MacWatt, Barrie,
Grand Vice-Chancellor.

V. E. Fra. Edwin Goodwin, M.D., St. Cathar-
ines, Grand Sub. Marshal.

V. E. Fra. Carl L. O. Kuhring, Quebec, Grand
Almoner.

V. E. Fra. Charles F. Mansell, Toronto, Grand
1st Standard Bearer.

V. E. Fra. George D. Wyman, Derbyshire,
Que., Grand 2nd Standard Bearer.

V. E. Fra. Allan McLean, Kingston, Grand
Master's Banner Bearer.

V. E. Fra. Robert John Craig, Cobourg,
Grand Captain of the Guard.

V. E. Fra. Thomas W. Taylor, Winnipeg,
Grand Sword Bearer.

V. E. Fra. William E. Logan, Truro, N.S.,
Grand Organist.

V. E. Fra. Samuel Dubber, St. Thomas, Grand
Pursuivant.

V. E. Fra. Thomas Robinson, Windsor, Grand
Guard.

MEMBERS OF GRAND COUNCIL—ELECTED.

R. E. Fra. K. T. Malone, Toronto.

R. E. Fra. J. Ross Robertson, Toronto.

R. E. Fra. John W. Murton, Hamilton.

R. E. Fra. Luther B. Archibald, Truro, N.S.

R. E. Fra. Isaac H. Searns, Montreal.

APPOINTED BY THE GRAND MASTER.

R. E. Fra. Daniel F. MacWatt, Barrie.

R. E. Fra. Harry E. Channell, Stanstead.

R. E. Fra. George G. Rowe, M.D., Toronto.

R. E. Fra. Alexander G. Adams, Montreal.

R. E. Fra. S. S. Lazier, Belleville.

The motion to amend Statute 28, relating
to Provincial Priors, by inserting the words

"and Preceptors" after the word Repre-
sentative in the second line of said Statute,

so as to entitle Preceptors to vote in the
selection of Provincial Priors, was carried.

The motion having reference to the estab-
lishment of Provincial Grand Priors was

abandoned.

A request from Alexandria, Egypt, to es-
tablish a Preceptory under the authority of

the Sovereign Great Priory of Canada was
not entertained.

The seventh annual Assembly will be held
in the City of Kingston on Tuesday, 15th

July, 1890.

EDITORIAL OBLIGATIONS.

Masonic journals should be exponents of
Masonic principles. Truth, honour and
justice should be their motto. In all things
pertaining to his position the Masonic editor
should be the soul of these great virtues,
for through him the Craft expect to re-
ceive Masonic light. To pervert any one
of the principles of this motto is beneath
the dignity of his position, and makes him
a trickster in the eyes of his brethren. It
debases his high and honourable position to
that of the politician who serves his party
regardless of truth, honour or justice, so
that it may win and triumph over the other
party without regard to consequences.

The merest tyro in Masonry will com-
prehend the point in the above paragraph,
and may be ready to ask, in surprise, do
Masonic editors ever stoop to such things?
It would hardly seem possible that they
would do so, and we think such instances
are of exceedingly rare occurrence.—*Masonic
Advocate.*

THAT LAME RITUAL.

The Ritual question at the Washington
Conclave was settled in a satisfactory man-
ner. A committee of one from each juris-
diction, selected by each delegation, with
Locke, of Maine, for Chairman, and Connor,
of Tennessee, as Secretary, laboured dili-
gently upon the subject from early in the
session. Finally Essentials were adopted
to be made obligatory and to be promul-
gated Jan. 1st. Ceremonials are referred
to the several Grand Commanderies until
the next triennial, and the same committee
is continued. They are to receive sugges-
tions from all Grand Commanderies and re-
port a full ceremonial then. The present
Standard Ritual is to be recalled.

Grand Master Roome's address, while
firmly maintaining his position, was kindly
towards Iowa, and P. G. M. Hopkins re-
ported for the committee on that subject,
that Iowa had been punished enough, and
their delegates were restored amid much
expression of good feeling.

GOOD-WILL TO MEN.

The mission of Masonry is the mission of
Masons, for they are one and the same
thing, and none can proclaim divorce or
set a line of demarcation between. If we
be not true Masons then there can be no
true Masonry, and its mission is a failure.
"Show me their laws and I will tell you
what kind of people they are." Show me
the men who gather about a Masonic altar
and I will tell you what kind of Masonry
they represent. The source must supply
the stream, and the cause must typify its
followers, the creed must shine out in the
apostles. So, then, Masonry gains or loses,
as its brethren are pure or unworthy, rising
or falling who are its exemplars. "So let
your light shine before men," search the
Scriptures, and Masonic light can only
shine through a pure medium. If these be
not in accord with the pure light that
shines in the moral East its rays are dark-
ened and the way is obscured, its mission
futile.

The mission of Masonry, then, is to exalt
itself by exalting its votaries, to purify and
benefit, to elevate mankind in a semblance
of Him whose life was all purity, whose
mission was—

Pence on earth, good-will to men.—
N. Y. Sunday Times.

CHEAP MASONS.

As there are many, very many, true Ma-
sons, both in theory and fact, so too are
there very many who should be classed as
above. Every day we meet men claiming
fellowship under the square who only im-
press us with the feeling "how did they
ever pass the ordeal?" And these men
honestly think and feel that the garb and
title of our most honourable fraternity is
eminently fitted to them and they to the
Order and its symbols. One peculiar ten-
dency of this class of Masons is to glorify
the lesser at the expense of the greater—to
exalt the detail and diminish the principle.
They hold the hidden portion of their Ma-
sonic work in greater esteem than that
part which is seen of men, and lose no op-
portunity for parading, sometimes even be-
yond the bounds of safety, the signs and
symbols which should only be used sparing-
ly, and in the most guarded manner. The
mysteries of the Craft are to them of greater
moment than is the sublime principles
upon which the Order is based, and they
most value the fact that they have the
magic word which will throw wide open
to them the mystic portals behind which
all is hidden from the outer world. Could
they carry out their highest ambition, they
would do little else than walk up and
knock—if the outside world were looking
on—only to repeat and re-repeat the act
continually. This may seem overdrawn
and harsh, but it is a true citation, for we
all remember instances in which this un-
worthy sentiment is manifested. It is a
weakness, but it is a criminal one, and
totally unfits its votaries to enter into the
higher walk upon which true Masons have
entered. When comes the hour of trial
such Masons will seldom be found at the
front, and he who leans upon them finds
but a broken reed. Masonry builds on
firmer foundation than mere form or sym-
bol, and woe to him who mistakes the safe-
guard for the sentiment, the token for the
theory, the symbol for the substance.—
N. Y. Times.

FREEMASONRY IN PERSIA.

The *Madras Masonic Review* speaking of
Freemasonry in the Shah's dominions, says:
"Persia is one of the few countries where
the holding of Masonic lodge meetings is
forbidden by the law, and it is, therefore,
with much interest that we have received
news from that part of the world. There is
in Persia a number of Freemasons, chiefly of
the nobility, who enter the Craft while
serving on the staff of the embassies of their
State in the Capital cities of Europe; some,
however—how many is not known—were
admitted into the fraternity
in their own country. Up to
within about twenty years ago, a Free-
mason's lodge—believed to be very
ancient—was regularly held at Teheran.
By beginning to build a Masonic Hall in the
Persian capital, the brethren attracted the
notice of the Shah, who, not being a Free-
mason, and having many scruples about
entering a lodge in the usual manner,
stopped the work and issued a proclamation
forbidding the lodge meetings. It is gener-
ally believed that since that time there have
been no meetings in Persia; but a brother
who has visited that country (and was re-
cently in Madras) tells us he has reason to
believe Craft Lodge meetings have been held
there, at irregular intervals up to the pre-
sent day.