

I trust that authority will be given the Grand Master to provide for the proper representation of this Grand Council at any future meetings that may be held.

The Committee on Work has not been called together during the past year, nor do I consider it desirable that any change should be made in our ritual at the present time.

Permit me to ask you to consider the advisability of selecting some more convenient time for holding Grand Council, and also whether it would not be well to meet at the same time and place as either the Grand Lodge or Grand Chapter.

In conclusion, my Illustrious Companions, permit me to thank you for the hearty support I have received in the discharge of the duties of my high office, and to express the hope that the H. O. O. I. may ever guide, protect and bless you in your journeyings through this life, and that finally you may be admitted within that S. V., where the World's Great Architect lives and reigns for ever and ever.

DANIEL SPRY.

M. P. Grand Master.

The Grand Treasurer's and Grand Recorder's annual statements were submitted, and were found satisfactory.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence, through its chairman R. Ill. Comp. Begelew, submitted a report which was received and ordered to be printed.

Several other routine matters were disposed of, and the election of officers for the ensuing year was proceeded with, and the following were declared duly elected, and were subsequently installed:

M. Ill. Com. Daniel Spry, Toronto, Grand Master. R. Ill. Comp. N. G. Bigelow, Toronto, Deputy Grand Master. R. Ill. Com. Geo. C. Longley, Maitland, R. P. G. M. R. Ill. Com. Fred. J. Menet, Toronto, P. G. M. R. Ill. Com. Thos. B. Harris, Hamilton, Inspector Gen., Hamilton Div. R. Ill. Com. W. W. H. Porter Bradford, Inspector Gen., Toronto Div. R. Ill. Com. Wm. Hay, Ottawa, Inspector Gen., Ottawa Div. R. Ill. Com. E. Kemp, Cowansville, Inspector Gen., Quebec Div. R. Ill. Com. W. J. Morris, Toronto, Inspector Gen., Manitoba Div. R. Ill. Com. F. G. Graham, Bradford, Grand Captain General. R. Ill. Com. David McLellan, Hamilton, Grand Treasurer. R. Ill. Com. Thomas Sargant, Toronto, Grand Recorder. V. Ill. Com. Wm. Gibson, Hamilton, Grand Marshal. N. Ill. Com. John L. Dixon, Grand Sentinel. Ill. Com. C. S. Elliot, D. McLellan, J. W. H. Wilson, and Richard Brierley, Executive Committee.

We have not yet learned the names of the appointed officers.

ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS.

ADONIRAM COUNCIL.

The following Ill. Companions were elected Officers of the Adoniram Council No. 2, Toronto, at the Regular Assembly, on the 27th August, 1873:

Thrice Ill. Comp. W. J. Morris, T. I. M.; R. Ill. Comp. F. J. Menet, P. T. I. M.; Ill. Comp. J. B. Nixon, R. I. M.; Ill. Comp. J. G. Burns, I. M.; M. Ill. Comp. D. Spry, Treas.; R. Ill. Comp. W. Purvis, Recorder; Ill. Comp. W. A. Stollery, M. of C.; Ill. Comp. W. H. Frazer, Conductor; R. Ill. Comp. T. Sargant, C of Guard; Ill. Comp. J. Leslie, Steward; Comp. J. L. Dixon, Sentinel.

Masonry was designed as a strong and indissoluble bond, uniting the members of fraternity in sacred ties to each other. But such a bond would be frail as the gossamer's attenuated thread unless strengthened by moral principles and obligations; and such obligations between man and man would be powerless and inoperative unless based on paramount obligations to the God of all. And then a just appreciation of the last obligation tends to a spirit of piety whose office is to soften, refine, and elevate the whole.