

R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER, I find the stone plumb, and the Craftsmen have prepared the Corner Stone true and trusty.

The Deputy Grand Master says :

R. W. SENIOR GRAND WARDEN,—You will now examine and satisfy yourself that the Craftsmen have worked well. Try the stone with the level and report to me the result of your examination.

The Senior Grand Warden then proceeds to the stone, tries it with the level, and reports :

R. W. DEPUTY GRAND MASTER,—I find the Corner Stone level, and that the Craftsmen have worked well.

The Deputy Grand Master then proceeds to the stone, and tests it with the square, and returning to his station, reports :

M. W. GRAND MASTER,—I find the Corner Stone of this High School Building, tried, true, trusty, plumb, level and square, and that the Grand Officers have approved of the work, and have found it well and truly prepared, and that the Craftsmen have worked well.

The Grand Master then addresses the Deputy Grand Master, Senior Grand Warden and Junior Grand Warden :

RIGHT WORSHIPFUL BROTHERS,—You will proceed to the stone while the laborers and bearers are laying it in its proper position, you will try it with the plumb, level, and square, and report to us if it is well and duly prepared.

The Deputy Grand Master, after returning from the stone, says :

M. W. G. MASTER,—The corner stone is placed due east and west, and is now ready to be laid.

Past Dep. Grand Master R. W. Bro. Allen H. Crowe then presents the Chairman of the Commissioners appointed to arrange for the erection of the Building, who says :

M. W. GRAND MASTER,—On behalf of the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, I have very great pleasure in presenting you with this trowel to assist in completing the work so auspiciously begun.

The trowel is a very handsome and massive one of solid silver, manufactured by Bro. Julius Cornelius, of Halifax, N. S., and bears the following inscription :

PRESENTED

BY THE

BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF HALIFAX

TO

COLONEL J. WIMBURN LAURIE,

M. W. GRAND MASTER OF A., F. AND A. MASONS OF NOVA SCOTIA,

On the occasion of the

LAYING OF THE CORNER STONE OF THE HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

HALIFAX, N. S., JULY 17, 1878.