

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2.30 p.m. this day, the M.: W.: Grand Master presiding.

REPORT FROM STANDING COMMITTEES—FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

R.: W.: Bro. A. F. Simpson, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, explained that his business avocations had prevented him during the past year from giving to the duties of the office the time and attention they required. He had, therefore, at a somewhat late period requested the Grand Secretary to prepare the report. This had been done, and he now begged to present the report, and moved, seconded by R.: W.: Bro. James Mitchell,—

“That the report on Foreign Correspondence, now presented, be received, but as the same presents no new feature of especial interest, this Grand Lodge deems it inexpedient to publish the same *in extenso*. The Grand Lodge, however, recommends that the sum of forty dollars be paid to the writer and compiler of said report as remuneration for his labor.”

In amendment it was moved by R.: W.: Bro. Noyes, seconded by W.: Bro. Joseph Martin,—

“That all the words in the motion now before the Grand Lodge after the words ‘be received’ be struck out, and the following substituted therefor: ‘and be printed as an *Appendix* to the proceedings of the Grand Lodge.’”

The amendment was carried.

The main motion as so amended was then put to the Grand Lodge and carried.

R.: W.: Bro. A. F. Simpson, for the same committee, made the following report on applications from other Grand Lodges for recognition:—

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Quebec, A. F. & A. M., in Council assembled.

Your Committee on Correspondence beg to report,—

They have reviewed the proceedings of six Grand Lodges of this Dominion, three of the mother countries, and forty-one of the United States. From the whole they have endeavored to extract, and now produce, such information as may be instructive and of use to the craft here.