

Evangelist, being the 27th inst., for the installation of officers, at 4 o'clock p.m. in this place, and to dinner at the hour of 6 precisely. Any member of the branches of the Legislature wishing to celebrate that festival, with members of this lodge, on that day, may be at liberty to do so."

On the Festival of St. John the Evangelist, the 27th of December, the lodge met at the house of Bro. George Ridout. Among those present, as a visitor, was Bro. the Rev. Robert Addison, of Niagara. At a former meeting Bro. Fitzgibbon had signified his intention of resigning, but at this meeting on motion it was resolved :

"That the notification from Bro. Fitzgibbon, respecting his intention to withdraw from this lodge, recorded in the minutes of the 22nd October last, be now expunged from the proceedings."

This having been done, Bro. Fitzgibbon was admitted. The W. M. then proceeded with the induction and investiture of the officers chosen at the previous meeting, after which Bro. the Rev. R. Addison "was pleased to deliver an exhortation to the lodge on the subject of charity, from the 1st Cor., 13th chapter." The lodge was then closed and the brethren dined.

At the regular meeting on the 13th January, 1824, held at Bro. George Ridout's, "Bro. Billings, a Master Mason, was admitted a member of this lodge without petition, ballot or payment of fees, being a transient brother, and not having been solicited to subscribe towards our petition for a warrant at the time this lodge was constituted." For this departure from the By-laws there does not seem to have been any sound reason, save that the name of Bro. F. T. Billings may have been omitted from the petition for the dispensation presented to R. W. Bro. McGillivray, in September,