

About one hundred and fifty brethren were present, hailing from the following Lodges, viz: Union, No. 9, Napanee; Moira, No. 11, Belleville; Prince Edward, No. 18, Picton; St. George's, No. 88, Owen Sound; Franck, No. 127, Frankford; Star in the East, No. 164, Wellington; and Minden, No. 253, Kingston.

A special Grand Lodge was opened in **firm** at 3 o'clock, p. m.

R. W. Bro. Henry Macpherson, who had been deputed by dispensation to represent the M. W. Grand Master, announced that this Special Communication had been convened for the purpose of laying the CORNER STONE of a building intended for the use of the "High and Public School" and "Masonic Hall," about to be erected in the town of Picton.

A procession was then formed, and proceeded to the site of the intended structure, preceded by the band of the 16th Batt. of V. M.

The ceremonies of laying the stone were impressively and ably performed by the acting Grand Master, in accordance with the antient usages of the Order.

The procession was reformed, and returned to the Lodge room.

The acting Grand Master, before closing, thanked the Brethren for their assistance in a few appropriate remarks.

The business of the Special Communication being ended, the Grand Lodge was closed in **firm** with solemn prayer.

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