

Act passed in the Thirty-seventh year of Her Majesty's reign, entitled an Act respecting Benevolent, Provident and other Societies.

The name of the society shall be, "The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Ontario.

The purposes and objects of our Order and Society, are the practice of benevolence and charity, to relieve the sick and distressed, and comfort the mourner, and to disseminate true Masonic knowledge in all its branches and degrees.

The principal and managing officers are, and shall be: The Most Worshipful Grand Master: The Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; The Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden; The Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden; The Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.

The following brethren shall fill the said several offices, until an election shall be held as hereinafter provided: Brother Francis Westlake, Most Worshipful Grand Master; Brother John Robert Peel, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master; Brother William Hatten Street, Right Worshipful Grand Senior Warden; Brother James Francis Latimer, Right Worshipful Grand Junior Warden; Brother William Weir Fitzgerald, Right Worshipful Grand Secretary.

The Society shall meet once in each year at such time and place in Ontario, as the Society shall hereinafter from time to time at the annual meeting appoint, and at such other times as the Most Worshipful Grand Master shall deem it necessary to call the brethren together to transact any business pertaining to the management and welfare of the Order.

The officers shall be elected at the annual meeting in each year.

The Masters and Past Masters of Lodges, and the Wardens for the time being of Lodges under the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge shall be entitled to be admitted to the meetings of Grand Lodge and to vote on all questions including the elections of officers

The election of officers shall be by ballot, any other questions that the Grand Lodge shall hereafter decide on, to be voted by ballot shall be voted on by ballot.

The Society may, from time to time, by a resolution at any meeting regularly called, appoint any other officers, that may be deemed necessary, and at the same time declare that such officers shall thereafter be elected or appointed at the annual meeting. So soon as may be convenient the Grand Master shall call the brethren together to frame and adopt a constitution by-laws and rules of order for the government and management of the Society, the same not being contrary to law or the provisions hereof.

(Signed),

F. WESTLAKE.

JNO. R. PEEL.

W. H. STREET.

J. F. LATIMER.

W. W. FITZGERALD.

[APPENDIX B.]

GRAND LODGE A. F. & A. M. OF CANADA.

To the Worshipful Masters, Past Masters, Wardens and Officers of Lodges, and all Masonic Brethren to whom these presents may come,

GREETING:

WHEREAS, it is within my knowledge, that Bros. F. Westlake, J. R. Peel, W. H. Street, J. F. Latimer, and W. W. Fitzgerald, brethren within the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Canada, have signed a declaration of incorporation, under the style and title of "The Grand Lodge of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of Ontario," and whereas such declaration is an attempt to subvert the authority of the Grand Lodge of Canada, is detrimental to the best interests of Freemasonry, and is calculated to disturb the peace, harmony, and unity of the Fraternity; and whereas, the within named brethren and others have been present at, and taken part in, clandestine meetings of Masons held in the city of London, under the pretended authority of the so-called "Grand Lodge of Ontario," in utter violation of their Masonic obligations, and the requirements of the Constitution;

Therefore take notice, that the M. W. the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of A. F. & A. M. of Canada, has, by the power vested in him, suspended the above named brethren and others from all the rights, benefits and privileges of the Order of Freemasonry, such suspensions to continue in full force during his pleasure, or until the Grand Lodge of Canada shall have taken action thereon.

The M. W. the Grand Master further directs and requires that you will not, under